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March 17, 1939

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The Society's Ball will be held for members and their guests in the Cercle Sportif Francais at 9.30 p.m.

A. J. H. CAREY,
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MARCH

17 Y.W.C.A. Musical Tea, 5
17 St. Patrick's Ball, C.S.F., 9.30
17 *St. Patrick's Day*

Coming Events

MARCH

18 Shanghai Players in Monteverde's 'Orpheus,' special matinee, Lyceum, 3
18 Shanghai United Hockey Club Annual Ball, Foreign Y.M.C.A., 8
18 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
18 'Coq d'Or,' Ballet Russe, Lyceum, 9
19 'Coq d'Or,' Ballet Russe, Lyc., 2.15
19 'Coq d'Or,' Ballet Russe, Lyceum, 9
19 Municipal Orchestra Symphony Concert, Lyceum, 5.15
20 Grand Sacred Concert, Community Ch., 9
21 International (Y.W.C.A.) Business Girls' Dinner, A.W.C., 6.30
21 Vladimir Havsky in a Piano Concert at the Lyceum, 9
21 For. Y. Lecture: 'Social Responsibility of the Engineer,' 9
23 S.S.P.C.A. Bridge/Mahjongg, AWC, 3
22 Theosophical Society, 75 Jessfield Road, Public Lecture, 6
22 German A.D.C. 'Parkstrasze 13,' Lyceum, 9
22 1st Anhual Dinner Dance, Missouri Society of China, Farren's Nursery
23 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
23 Western (Extra-Settlement) Association ann. gen. meeting, 27 The Bund, 5
23 Royal Asiatic Society Lecture
23 V. Valin's gala performance, 'Blue Mazurka,' L. Opera by F. Lehar, Lyc., 8.45
23 B.U.S.C. Lecture by Dr. Blakelock on 'Immunity' at 114 Peking Road, at 6
23 For. Y. Debate: 'Social Service vs. Faith,' 9
24 'A' Coy., S.V.C., Annual Dance, C.S.F
25 'Blue Mazurka,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
25 'The 12 Jolly Ones,' songs, dance and humour, American Women's Club, 9
26 'Blue Mazurka,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
27 Engineering Society Meeting, 8.45
28 A.W.C. bridge and mahjongg, 3
29 K.D.S. Ann. mtg, at 158 Edinburgh Rd., Tea 4.30, Business 5.30
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30 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
30 For. Y. Debate: 'Machine Enslaves Mankind,' 9
31 S'hai R.U.F.C. Dance, Country Club
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APRIL

1 Reel Club End of Season Dance
1 21st Anniv. Formation R.A.F. and R.A.F.A. Reunion. Dinner, 'The Dome'
1 Oxford & Cambridge Society Dinner
5 Cathedral School Old Boys' Assn Annual Dinner, Air Defence Club
6 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
6 S.W.A. Meeting, C.S.F., 4
6 S. M. Orchestra, 1st Performance 'Sacred Music,' Lyceum, 9.15
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To receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1938, to declare a Dividend, to elect Directors and Auditors and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

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Chinese Apprentices: Appreciation of F.B.I. Scheme

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR, — In September 1937 — shortly after the outbreak of the China-Japan hostilities, — a meeting of the Joint Chinese Apprentices Committee of the China Association and the Federation of British Industries was held in London. Although the situation was then so critical and depressing, it was unanimously decided to carry on with the F.B.I. scheme of Chinese apprenticeships which had then been in successful operation for three years.

The subsequent response of British Engineering manufacturers was very gratifying and a considerably increased number of apprenticeships was offered. At the same time a number of prominent British businessmen made liberal contributions towards the financing of the scheme which again received financial support from the Universities China Committee in London and the Board of Trustees of the British Boxer Indemnity Fund in Chungking, while Messrs. Alfred Holt & Co., and the Peninsula & Oriental Steam Navigation Co., once more kindly assisted by granting specially reduced passages.

Applications for the scholarships offered were invited in the Spring by means of circular letters to Universities and Technical Institutions and also by advertisements in the foreign and Chinese press. The principal requirements are that the candidates must have graduated an approved Technical University or Engineering Institution whose recommendation carries considerable weight. They must be not more than 30 years of age and capable of performing heavy manual labour. A good working knowledge of the English language is essentail and actual practical engineering experience is desirable. They must also pass a rigorous medical examination and make a non-returnable contribution of £80, or in some instances £160, towards expenses. In Great Britain they are paid £3 per week. Assistance is also provided to encourage the men to continue their technical studies there and to join Engineering Institutions.

The Selection Committee interviewed a large proportion of those of the applicants who were living in Shanghai and arranged for the men provisionally selected from outport areas to be interviewed by outport Committees. The final selections were somewhat delayed because of difficulties experienced in getting into touch with up-country applicants, arrangements for passports, for Ministry of Labour Permits and for the necessary Exchange which was given at the official rate by the Ministry of Finance to whom the Committee are indebted for this favour. In the past three months no less than 24 student-apprentices have sailed for England to undergo training with the following manufacturers:—

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A letter of appreciation was received in February from Dr. Han Lih-wu, Secretary of the Sino-British Cultural Association, Chungking, expressing keen appreciation of the way in which this scheme has been operated.

The China Selection Committee receives regular reports through the Secretary in London from the manufacturers who are training these men. These reports have been remarkably good and the men have almost without exception created a very favourable impression in Great Britain. Arrangements are made in London for moving them, as far as is practicable, from one manufacturer to another to further their training for the class of work they intend to take up on their return to China.

Although most of the scholarships are for a period of one year, the majority of the men who have recently sailed will probably not return to China for two years and it is hoped that conditions will then allow them to make good use of the practical experience they will have acquired. One result of the current hostilities has been to bring home to China and Great Britain how much they share in common in the realm of ideas. It is confidently felt that this scheme will have also proved to be of real value in this direction. Particulars of the 1939 Scholarships will probably be received in Shanghai in the early summer.

A. J. PERCIVAL, *Chairman*
F. B. I. Selection Committee.

Shanghai, March 16.

Gen. Wu Pei-fu: Will He Be Cajoled?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Will such a man as Wu Pei-fu fall? Since childhood he, under the salutary effect of the teacher's rod, has learned to walk in the footsteps of the sages, observe their conduct, and hear them speak. At this trying hour does he need the encouragement of us inconsequential men whose existence is a mere biological expression? No, he stands like Paul with the visions of Wen Tien-hsiang, Shih Ke-fa, etc., looming large before his eyes. Those men had gone before and now shine in history with full glory.

There is a famous and inspired letter written by Shih in answer to the impudent cajoling of the Manchu conqueror, Dorgun, in which he expounded the truth of those ideals as formulated in the Spring and Autumn Annals. For the first time Dorgun realized that he was up against a set principle. The moral defeat he suffered in the hands of the vanquished was complete. His conscience was bloodstained when Shih insisted upon making the supreme sacrifice.

Wen Tien-hsiang, unbroken in spirit after four years' confinement, dashed in pieces Genghis Khan's ambition of converting him by asking him, "What is the use of all the books of the sages? What do we learn from Confucius and Mencius who taught the renunciation of life in a choice between life and righteousness?"

These supermen of wisdom are the incarnation of those ideals to which scholars swear allegiance. Their sole concern is to live up to them. They are the fundamental concepts of any religious or philosophic truths, as true as "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away." Wen Tien-hsiang, Shih Ke-fa, Chiang Kai-shek only head an endless list of men who would regard under certain circumstances continued living as a gross violation of those ideals. Such is force of a principle, incomprehensible to us "living under the influence of liquor and dying in a dream," but so clear to the wise. Isn't that what we understand by the New Life Movement? Didn't Chiang put it to a ruthless test at Sian? Didn't Chang Hsueh-liang get confounded on being told that there was something worth more than life? Only the most obstinate and unthinking will refuse to recognize a difference in the human aggregate. The formation of character does make all the difference. Not everybody can be uniformly classified in the "Dust to dust" category; some men will live beyond the grave of nothingness.

The chapter of history on Wu Pei-fu is not yet closed, but we are slowly given to understand the meaning of that something which Mencius said "is incorruptible, invincible, all-pervading, and will ride over the universe rough-shod."

P. T. L.

Shanghai, Mar. 16.

For Rheumatism: Are Bracelets Any Good?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Your hospitable columns are open to enquiries of all descriptions.

I wonder if any of your readers can answer my query. I have a number of times heard of bracelets made of alternate links of copper and zinc which are used for the cure and prevention of rheumatism, etc.

What is the theory about these things and are they of any value?

UNIQUE.

Shanghai, Mar. 15.

British Films: A Reviewer Astray

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—As against your reviewer A.S.I.'s "unfortunately, too seldom can it be said" remark with regard to good British pictures, in the course of his otherwise excellent notice of "Return of the Scarlet Pimpernel," it may interest your readers to know that the only two extended run films showing in New York in mail week were British.

"Pygmalion," at the Astor theatre, was in its ninth week and expected to stay there indefinitely.

"The Lady Vanishes" was in its seventh stanza at the Globe, and was booked for a further two weeks.

British, too, was "The Beachcomber" which had just concluded a six weeks engagement at the Rivoli, being the first film to make money there for eighteen months.

Furthermore, one of the only three films of the past season to appear in all lists of the "Best Ten Pictures of 1938" was yet another, "The Citadel."

Earlier in the year, "South Riding" and "To the Victor," though British, received plaudits everywhere.

When one considers the carefully organized campaign of disparagement of English productions in the States, this seems to suggest that our home-side movies are not quite the immature crudities your reviewer would have us believe.

By the way, it is "Technicolor," not "technicolour." A registered trade-name that is protected at the English Patent Office should surely be exempt from newspaper office conventions.

JUSTITIA.

Shanghai, Mar. 16.

Seeds Wanted: Plea to Horticulturists

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I shall be very much obliged if any of your subscribers could tell me in these columns where I could purchase seed of the African Daisy—Gerhera.

The Shanghai flower shops are full of the cut blooms at this time of the year, so the seed must be obtainable locally, but those I have got out from England have never grown.

M. FRANCES.

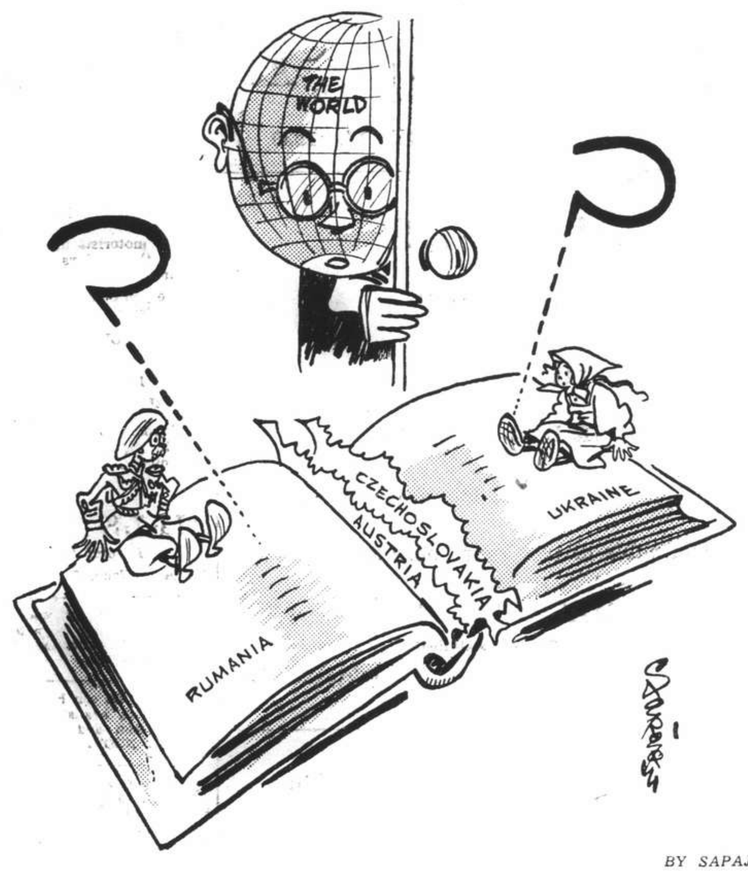
Chefoo, Mar. 10.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF MARCH 17, 1869

As we have, sometimes, to blame the decisions of the Mixed Court, we are glad to take any opportunity to praise them. And a case which occurred yesterday well deserves notice. We are subject to so much pilfering by house servants, and their thefts are so difficult of detection—or rather it is so difficult to bring these home to them—that every one is interested in seeing condign punishment awarded, when a good clear case does happen. A house boy was brought up yesterday before the Court, on a clear charge of systematic robbery, and sentenced to 100 blows and a year's imprisonment, with temporary cangue before his master's door—a tolerably public place, where he will be a useful warning to his fraternity.

Nurse Mary Adelaide Jones, outward bound for Madras, went ashore at Port Said and posted a card to her family in Santon, Isle of Man, telling them she was quite well. That was in May 1921—since then nothing more has been heard of her. Her father the Rev. Richard Jones, Vicar of Santon for 40 years, died twelve months ago leaving £7,000 to be divided equally among his seven children, and her family are now awaiting the resumed hearing of a Chancery Court petition to presume her death.



BY SAPAJOU

Revised Geography

Many Problems Faced Shanghai Hospitals Last Year

Institutions Evacuated Through Fighting Still In Temporary Premises; Epidemics Combatted

HOSPITAL difficulties during the year are described in the annual report of the Commissioner of Public Health for 1938. According to the report, the year 1938, similarly to 1937, produced numerous hospital problems in connection with epidemics. All Municipal Hospitals, which had been evacuated during the first week of the Sino-Japanese hostilities 1937, were forced to remain in temporary premises, since the areas in which they were originally situated were still under Japanese military occupation. The Gaol, however, not having been evacuated, reached normalcy during the early months of 1938.

At the beginning of the year, the measles epidemic was fully under control, and the disease waned completely at the end of the winter season.

The epidemic of measles was followed by one of typhus fever and almost simultaneously meningococcal meningitis attained epidemicity. At the onset of the summer season, cholera made its appearance and rapidly became epidemic. Further extensions were erected at both branches of the Chinese Isolation Hospital providing a final accommodation of 1,000 beds which were filled almost to capacity throughout the summer. An epidemic of smallpox commenced in October and again it was found necessary to alter the existing accommodation in order to adopt it for winter use.

The Tuberculosis Sanatorium was re-opened in temporary premises in the old wing of the Shanghai General Hospital in May, but accommodation was still somewhat limited at the end of the year.

The Nursing Staff, which had been accommodated in a temporary "Nurses Quarters" (Kinnear Road) and in some of the hospitals, were, with few exceptions, eventually placed in the Victoria Nurses Home and the Sanatorium Staff resided in quarters allotted by the Shanghai General Hospital. It was necessary to engage temporary medical and nursing staff throughout several of the epidemic periods but such temporary employees were released as early as feasible.

The end of the year showed that sufficient accommodation was available for any type of epidemic amongst the Chinese population and further extension of the accommodation available for foreigners was being prepared.

The total number of cases admitted to the Isolation Hospital (Foreign) during 1938 was 211 as compared with 353 in 1937. Amongst the admissions 132 were Foreigners and 79 Chinese. There were 12 deaths among the former and 26 among the latter, most of whom were suffering from meningococcal meningitis. In the Isolation Hospital for Chinese, there were five epidemics which occurred in the following sequence; measles, typhus fever, meningococcal meningitis cholera and smallpox. The epidemic of smallpox was still increasing at the end of the year. Admissions totalled 14,276 as compared with 5,949 in 1937. During the Summer the accommodation of each of the two hospitals was increased to 500 beds by increasing the number of matsheds. Two of them were adapted for winter accommodation towards the end of the year to accommodate smallpox cases. For the first time, medical students (final year) were permitted to work under supervision in the Isolation Hospital and proved to be of great assistance whilst obtaining most valuable experience on their own account.

Mental Hospital.—Mental patients were accommodated in the Mental Wards of the Russian Orthodox Confraternity Hospital. Tuberculosis Sanatorium.—The temporary Tuberculosis Sanatorium was opened at the General Hospital on May 5, 1938, with an accommodation of 24 beds. Patients who had been temporarily accommodated at the Country and Police Hospitals were transferred to these wards. Tuberculosis Clinic.—The activity of this Clinic shows a slight decline as compared with last year. There were 81 new registrations and 1,484 total attendances against 140 and 1,549 in 1937.

District Nursing and Tuberculosis Visiting Service.—The work of the District Nurse proceeded along the same lines as last year. 4,082 visits were paid to the homes of sick people. Cases treated included whooping cough, measles and chicken pox. Milk and cod liver oil were given to children who appeared to be in danger of developing tuberculosis and to families where children were underfed. Municipal Police Hospital.—There were 2,448 admissions including 323 Indians, 157 Chinese prisoners, 4 civilians and 190 Chinese soldiers of the "Lone Battalion" from the Concentration Camp in Singapore Road. The majority of the latter were admitted for beri-beri or for injuries. No convicts were admitted from Ward Road Gaol. The Out-patient Department registered 25,032 attendances against 21,342 last year. There were 55 deaths.

Municipal Primary Schools for Chinese only.—School Medical Service activities in this group of schools were carried out during 1938 under circumstances of considerable difficulty, owing to the scattered locations of the eighth primary schools for Chinese, the "double-session" system of pupils now in force, and shortage of staff. A gratifying innovation during the year was the provision by the Education Department of a Medical "Clinic" room in each Municipal Primary School for Chinese, which has proved to be a very great convenience to both the School authorities and the School Medical Service.

During the year 1,341 pupils received individual Medical Inspection by the Chinese Assistant School Medical Officers—an increase of 564 on 1937 and 277 on 1936. This important branch of School Medical Service activities has, however, been hampered by diversion of the examining Medical Officers to other duties. During the year School Clinics were held daily (during School terms) in each Primary School for Chinese. Total attendances were 6,064 or an increase of 2,627 on 1937 (Clinics interrupted due to hostilities) and 1,391 on 1936. This gratifying increase is largely due to the provision of a "Clinic Room" in the School premises, and also to improved co-operation with the School authorities.

Trachoma Clinics

Trachoma Clinics were re-opened by degrees early in 1938 and are now held regularly in all Municipal Primary Schools for Chinese, but owing to shortage of both medical and nursing staff progress in this section has been slow.

During June-July, a campaign of voluntary T.A.B. inoculations was carried out in the Municipal Primary Schools for Chinese. In December a further campign of voluntary T.A.B. inoculations was inaugurated—this course entirely free. This campaign course being entirely free. This campaign is still in progress. The scheme of notification to parents of any defects found at the examination of their children or of any disability which would warrant the exclusion of pupils from school, etc., remains the same as in previous years.

"Home Visiting Service" continues to be a very important factor in the attempted control of infectious diseases in schools. By the discovery of infected children in the homes it is possible to debar such cases from returning to school within the quarantine period, and thus prevent the indiscriminate spread of infection throughout their respective classes.

During the year 352 cases of communicable disease were dealt with in the Primary Schools for Chinese, of which the great majority were first discovered during "Home Visits" by the school nurses. This figure is identical with that for 1937 and is no doubt accounted for by the fact that a large number of pupils now attending Primary Schools for Chinese reside outside Settlement limits and therefore cannot be visited by school nurses—a new situation wich holds elements of danger which cannot be overlooked.

Grant-Aided Chinese Private Schools

During 1938 there were 149 Chinese private schools on the grant-in-aid list as compared with 217 for the previous year. Overcrowding became very serious during 1938—especially during the autumn term. By various means of re-arrangement of schedules, adjustment of classes and or taking into use extra accommodation a number of schools eventually succeeded in complying with the Council's minimal requirements of air and floor space per capita, but some schools still remain seriously overcrowded.

As most schools expanded during the year, sanitary installations had also to be increased or even in some cases complete new lavatories constructed to serve the increasing numbers. 32 new sanitary installations were made during 1938 and a large number of improvements to existing accommodation carried out. Several new installations on a larger scale under Public Works Department supervision were in hand at the close of the year.

Constant supervision of schools is necessary in order to ensure continuance of efficient cross-ventilation—especially during 1938 when so many schools took into use extra class-room space.

The improvement noted in 1937 in the standard of adequate service of potable water and use of individual cups by pupils has not been maintained during 1938. An adequate supply of boiled water suitably served now exists in approximately 70 per cent. of the schools at present on the grant-in-aid list, and the provision of individual drinking cups by pupils is still less satisfactory,—particularly during the Autumn term.

There are at present 23 schools on the grant-in-aid list receiving boarders in numbers ranging from a few only to 400 per school. In the majority of these schools the living conditions of the boarders leave much to be desired. Bedrooms have been fo und to be practically invariably overcrowded, insufficiently ventilated and often deficient in cleanliness, whilst the school kitchens were in many cases unhygienic and insanitary. It is hoped to investigate these matters further at an early date.

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WOMAN'S PAGE

A London Letter

By Olive Dun

London, Feb. 12.

It so happened that I had to go to the House of Commons on Thursday. Almost the first thing I saw was two women M.P.'s exceedingly smartly dressed; usually it seems *de rigueur* for women Members to dress as badly as they can. Then came my Member looking like the Ancient Mariner's wedding guest. Two or three other members passed, equally glittering. Suddenly my Member looker at his watch and fled from me, murmuring like the White Rabbit, "Oh my fur and whiskers, she'll have me executed." Or words to that effect.

All of which merely meant that Mrs. Chamberlain was giving the first of four large parties for Members of both Houses, candidates and political workers.

Among the guests were two miners from Nottinghamshire, with their Member who had brought a message from the Conservative working-men of their district congratulating the Prime Minister on his efforts for peace. One of them told how his little daughter, hearing that her father was going to Mr. Chamberlain's house, asked," And will Hitler be there?"

But I wonder whether if I were of the working class, I should be a Conservative. Whenever I go to the manufacturing towns of the north, they make me feel a perfect Bolshevik. Even muffins and weak tea with cream in it in Downing Street would hardly reconcile me to the other party.

Earlier in the day Mrs. Chamberlain had been the chief guest at a public lunch at which all the menus were written on the inside of tiny umbrellas. Here perhaps is the secret of Mr. Chamberlain's support among the working class. Since Gladstone's collars and Mr. Chamberlain's father's eyeglass, no political leader has had any really distinctive appendage, until now the Prime Minister has his umbrella. Give a politician in England something which the crowd considers humorous, something which it can easily remember and spot in a caricature, and he may really do anything he likes.

I wonder whether our women M.P.'s, who are a small and not very conspicuous band, would make more of a mark if they could think up something funny to do or wear. They might consult Gracie Fields.

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Unique Baronet

It is comparatively easy, of course, to be born a baronet, merely a matter of arranging that one's father goes out of the world before making one's own entrance. But to be created a baronet at the age of five must be unique.

So there has naturally been much attention for Sir Andrew Ashton Waller Hills. His father, former M.P. for Ripon and a great friend of the Prime Minister's, was to have been made a baronet in the New Year honours, but died just before Christmas leaving a widow and a five-year-old son. Yesterday it became known that the King had decided to transfer the baronetcy to the child, who, when his mother told him of the honour, looked up from his toys and asked, "Is it something nice to eat?"

But later on his mother told the reporters that she thought he understood better now, and why people would address him as "Sir Andrew." Which, of course, when he goes to school they certainly won't.

What is not explained is whether his mother remains Mrs. Hills, or becomes Lady—or the Dowager Lady?—Hills. Perhaps she does not care, being more interested in writing novels, of which she has produced five under her maiden name of Mary Grace Ashton, and is at work on a sixth. And to write five novels which a publisher will accept seems to be even more wonderful than to be made a baronet at five.

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In Doggy Circles

Cruft's Dog Show, the 53rd, has been on again this week. Although the founder of this world-famous show—for it has always been a purely private venture—is no more, his widow, affectionately known as "Old English," continues to run it. "But he built up the machinery and it runs itself," she says.

Again one wonders why "doggy" women must look so very weather-beaten and untidy, while their charges are so spruce and well-groomed. The kennel-maids in breeches, gaiters and smock, are usually smart. The kennel-owners look as if, in the old phrase, they had been dragged through a hedge backwards.

There are said to be five miles of benches and 8,839 entries. But for the first time for some years there is no new breed whatever. The newest still is the Basenji from the Congo, first brought to England two years ago, which has no bark and washes its face like a cat. But if new to this country, the Basenji's portrait may be found in the tombs of ancient Egypt thousands of years ago.

It is poor work being a show dog. A vet. whom I know is always on duty throughout the two days and night of Cruft's Show, and he told me recently that on an average he has 50 cases of dog-hysteria. Owners are warned to tie up their dogs at night so that they have just enough length of leash to lie down. One owner last year neglected this warning and the poor beast somehow got over the edge of the bench and hanged itself. There is no doubt that dogs hate these shows, which have a really dangerous effect on the tempers of some of them.

And in the end the judging is often purely arbitrary. For instance, a show greyhound should have a narrow chest and wide forehead, but the people who want to spot a winner on a dog-track, so I am told, look out for one with a narrow head and broad chest as a sign of greater stamina. As for the mess which breeding for exhibition has made of two of the finest of all dogs, the wire haired terrier and the bulldog—well, I ask you.

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Getting into Wedlock

It is curious what a complicated matter mankind has made of marriage. Some years ago I remember reading of a young couple in France who wanted to get married. Both being orphans they had to get the consent of their respective *conseils de famille*, and as their relatives were scattered all over the world, the *conseils* could not be assembled, but the papers had to be sent round for signature by post. All the papers had to be signed within a given time of the wedding, and this meant that when one of the parties' papers were complete, the other's were out of date. Then came the War which put an end to ideas of marriage for four years. Both man and girl came through safely and then had to start hunting up their *conseils de famille* all over again. I don't know whether they are married even yet.

I mentioned last week the problems of marriage in this country for people who may legally be polygamists in their own. But a private Bill introduced in the House of Commons this week disclosed the difficulties, unsuspected by most people, of a Scottish-English marriage. If a Scot wishes to marry an English girl in England, even at a register office, he must first reside in England for 15 days then give another seven days' notice to the registrar—23 days' sheer waste such as no Scotsman, least of all a potential Lochinvar, should be asked to endure.

The Bill went, so to speak, with a roar. One Member described it as being as good as a second Act of Union. Another, of medical proclivities, declared that from a eugenic standpoint nothing could compare with a Scots-English marriage. The Government, appropriately through the mouth of the Secretary for Scotland, blessed the Bill. So no doubt some day it will become law.

But when? Nothing seems to move more slowly than a marriage law. Months ago, I remember, it was stated that the days of Gretna Green marriages were virtually over. Yet only yesterday the papers reported the romantic flight of a young couple to Gretna Green and their triumphant marriage by the blacksmith in defiance of disapproving parents.

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Flying Failures

The death took place this week at the age of 87 of the first woman in the world to fly. She was Mrs. Lelia Cody, wife of Colonel Cody, a pioneer aviator, who was killed in a crash on Laffan's Plain 25 years ago. Mrs. Cody's first trial of the air was to go up in a man-lifting kite controlled by a windlass cable, which her husband was demonstrating at the Crystal Palace. That was in 1901 so that Mrs Cody was approaching 50. It would have been a courageous feat for one much younger. She went so high that her clothes were soaked in moisture, and she remained up for about 15 minutes. Her first flight in an aeroplane was in 1908, in a machine designed and piloted by her husband. He, by the way, was once the famous King of the Cowboys. His wife, who first met him in Texas, was as daring a rider as he was. Seeing that he was born in 1861, what becomes of the old belief that it was useless to try to learn to fly after the age of about 20?

In spite of the Mrs. Codys, Amelia Earharts, Amy Johnsons, and other great women pilots, it is sad to relate that girls generally do not make good aviators. This comes to light in connection with the recruiting of volunteers for the Civil Air Guard. There are a few who were already skilled before the Guard was formed and are now in it. Many other girls, no doubt fired by their example, have volunteered, but the instructors say that, in spite of their keenness, it is but a small percentage that are likely to make good. Teaching the others, it is said, is waste of time. Well, women must just go back to the Victorian habit of growing wings of their own, *à la* Agnes Wickfield.

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Some Hymn Tunes

There are certain tunes of which the mere mention of the name is enough to set them running in one's head to distraction. I will not mention others and at the moment am trying not to think of them, just as one tries, on seeing a piebald horse, not to think of his tail so that one may get one's wish.

But one I must mention, the Rev. Henry Lyte's famous hymn "Abide with me," as the little notebook in which he fair-copied it has just been sold at auction for £76. As a matter of fact that is not much when one thinks that the autograph copies of "Onward Christian Soldiers," which Baring Gould did for 2/6 apiece for charity now sell for as much as £25. By the way, the authority from whom I got this fact says that Baring Gould wrote the hymn "to cheer up some little children tramping to a Sunday school treat"—a deliciously naive admission of the deadliness of this form of entertainment.

Even Corney Grain's polka that became a choirboy did not achieve greater fame than "Abide with me." Clara Butt used to sing it in the Albert Hall as one of her star performances. Its effect, of course, was largely hypnotic. One wonders sometimes that the Low Church people who are so down on the lights, incense and vestments of the Roman Catholic Church, do not perceive that the community hymn-singing by which they set so much store produces exactly the same effect on the congregation, only by different means. Certainly "Abide with me" is irresistible, and if I call it hypnotic, that is only to use a neutral term. A rose by any other name, etc.

At Wedding of Ireland's Premier Viscount

On February 18 Lord Gormanston of Gormanston Castle, Co. Meath, premier viscount of Ireland, married Miss Pamela Hanley at St. Mary's, Cadogan Street, London. Her attendants were Clare Sandars, who wore a Kate Greenaway dress of white organza, with a blue sash, a bonnet of gathered blue silk, and a posy of pink anemones, and two pages, Ninian Crichton-Stuart and Robert Ivo Ducas, who were dressed in blue satin trousers and white chiffon blouses with frills at the neck.

Peach and Turquoise

Some Suggestions for the Designing of a Pretty and Restful Bedroom

A Woman and an Artist put their heads together to work out a scheme for something pretty, feminine and restful in the way of a bedroom, the scheme to include two basic colours which could be adapted to any aspect. Their final decision was a combination of two colours which are essentially feminine, the soft warm shade of pink called peach, and turquoise blue, which is something between blue and green and a particularly good colour for curtains. The third subsidiary colour in a room based on these two shades might be old ivory, parchment or gold.

Rooms with a sunless aspect were our first thought, says the Woman, and for these we planned palest peach walls, with ceiling to match and woodwork in old ivory. This gives you a setting which glows with warmth and sunshine even on a dull day, and we found the scheme good for rooms which are inclined to be dark.

Use Turquoise Sparingly

Turquoise is more effective if it is not too overpowering; so in this particular room it was used for curtains, dressing table mats and candles, and for a cushion on the bed.

The bedspread was old gold, and the carpet a warm fawn colour with turquoise wool rugs beside the bed. This produced a well-balanced scheme with cool and warm colours in the right proportions.

Colours could, of course, be reversed. With a plain turquoise or patterned carpet you could have old gold curtains bordered with turquoise and a turquoise pelmet, old gold bedspread as before, and turquoise candles with a peach glass trinket set.

Turquoise shades appear in many Indian carpets, by the way, combined with other tones of blue, green and pink, and the general effect of these colours on a cream or fawn ground is very good for a bedroom.

Choosing the Furniture

A scheme like this need not tie you with regard to furniture. Peach walls are a little warm as a background for mahogany, but they are good for walnut, the lighter shades of natural oak, weathered oak and sycamore.

A sycamore suite with a banding of darker walnut is a suggestion for this room, and you could give it an unusual touch by a divan bed with a headboard covered with turquoise material to match curtains or pelmet.

Still another suggestion is a divan bed, petticoated dressing-table, and painted whitewood wardrobe and tallboy. These two could be painted old ivory to match the woodwork, with the handles and mouldings in turquoise.

The petticoat for the dressing table would be chintz with an ivory ground and pattern of flower posies in turquoise and peach.

Curtains could be either the plain turquoise material or chintz to match the dressing table, carpet plain light fawn.

On the Bright Side

For a sunny aspect the artist suggested walls papered or distempered the palest possible shade of turquoise, with ceiling in old ivory and woodwork this time matt painted to match the walls.

We decided on walnut, mahogany or oak furniture for this room, with a carpet mainly in fawn and peach, and peach pink curtains and bedspread.

Patterned chintz curtains would be specially pretty against the blue walls, however, and you could also have a chintz bedspread, the carpet in this case being a plain fawn so as not to spoil the balance between the plain and patterned surfaces.

Adapting the Scheme

Rough textured wallpapers in an old ivory colour are practical, for although they are a light colour they do not show dirt easily.

The rest of the scheme was built up on the two main colours. We decided on a carpet patterned in blue and green on a fawn ground as being better for wear than a plain one.

Curtains and pelmet could be turquoise, with glass curtains of pale gold net.

Easy chairs could be upholstered in a fawn moquette or tapestry with a small pattern in darker fawn or brown; this neutral colour would give full value to the peach, turquoise and gold cushions.

I would choose peach tinted glass or parchment for the lampshades in this room; they shed a most becoming pink glow over the walls at night.

Swing Skirt

Miss June Preisser chooses a short-length evening frock for dancing fun. Of pink taffeta, the full skirt is held at the waistline by a wide belt and the backless bodice resumes its demure air when worn with a bolero of the matching shade.

M. C. L.'s Annual Bazaar

Date Already Fixed; Helpers Warmly Welcomed

The Ministering Children's League have made their first move in the matter of their annual funds-raising function, the bazaar at the Race Course, which will be held on May 20.

This year the bazaar will be preceded by a bridge and mahjonng tea to be held at the British Forces Recreation Centre (85 Ferry Road) on April 12. Th organizers are Mrs. C. M. R. Young and Mrs. G. E. Marden.

The officials of the Ministering Children's League are:—President, Mrs. G. E. Marden; Treasurer, Mrs. E. E. Parsons; Secretary, Mrs. F. H. E. Skyrme; Committee, Mesdames R. E. Francis, W. J. Keswick, K. M. Bourne, Bertram Lillie, Butt, Gwyn, J. D. N. Ham, G. V. Kitson.

If anyone would care to help, either personally or with gifts for the bazaar, Mrs. Marden will be very glad if they will get into touch with her at 603 Grosvenor House.

European Rhythmist Arrives in Shanghai

Madame Toni Belling, a new arrival from Europe, started her dancing career in classical ballet, having conducted her own ballet at the Berlin Opera House. Later she became an enthusiast for the rhythm found in "modern" music and has been dancing instructor to the Humboldt Hochschule in Berlin. She also established a "School for bodily and mental education by rhythmical training." She uses tap-steps for the exercises this being, she says, a new method based on that of Jacques Dalkroze-Hellerau. Madame Belling is working in Shanghai in conjunction with Mr. Ralph Lynn's Studio.

To prevent an aluminium teapot from getting that "tannin" taste that spoils a good cup of tea, rub the inside once a week with half a lemon dipped in salt.

Towards The Clog

New Shoes

Footgear is changing rapidly, and no national shoe seems to come amiss just now. Pin heels still convert Western feet into Chinese, but those who consider their feet as much as their figures are liable to go to the other extreme, and instead of walking on an almost ballet toe adopt the extremely flat heel and the broad front, with an extended sole to emphasize it all. The next stage has been to fill in the instep, so that people walk on an inclined plane, with no gap between the heel and the sole.

In some cases the shoe really is a sandal with a strap at the back round the heel. It is raised about threequarters of an inch, looks difficult to walk in, but is really easy. The reason of this is that the thickened part of the shoe, both instep and sole, is made of cork. Country shoes today, instead of being made of solid leather and weighing heavily, are unexpectedly light and comfortable. Whether they would stand ploughed fields or heather is another question. They have the appearance of thick shoes which could be worn in the towns and they do keep the feet dry, by reason of raising them off the ground. It is really a return to the patten or the clog or even the sabot.

"Coq d'Or"

Over 200 children attended the matinée performance of the Russian Ballet's "Coq d'Or" last Sunday and thoroughly enjoyed the amusing and entertaining show. This pantomime ballet is one of the best kind of entertainment that can be offered to youngsters of various ages and parents can take advantage of the next Sunday's last matinée performance of "Coq d'Or" and give a real treat to their children.

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Great Goal-keeping Defeats Ireland in Close Match

Welsh Custodian Makes Brilliant Debut in International Football Series

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Wrexham, Mar. 15.

WALES scored a close win over Ireland today in a match in the international soccer series by three goals to one, after a hard-fought struggle, which however, failed to produce a high standard of play. The winners were flattered by the margin of victory, as the Irish enjoyed territorial superiority for a greater portion of the game. Impressive in their fine sweeping movements, the Irish forwards however, spoiled their own efforts with weak finishing. Repeatedly missed sitters cost Ireland the game.

Poland of Wrexham, Welsh goalie who was making his debut in international soccer, undoubtedly saved his side from defeat. He brought off may brilliant saves, giving a very impressive exhibition.

Wales took the lead seven minutes from the start, ending the first half ahead by two goals to one. Her second goal was netted off a disputed corner kick.

Each team made one change, Wales playing Boulter, Brentford inside left, instead of Leslie Jones.

Ireland substituted Leathma of Belfast for McMillen as centre half.

The two teams were:—

WALES:—Poland (Wrexham); Turner (Charlton), Hughes (Birmingham); Green (Charlton), T. Jones (Everton), Dearson (Birmingham); Hopkins (Brentford), Boulter (Brentford), Glover (Grimsby), S. Jones (Arsenal) and Cumner (Arsenal).

IRELAND: — Breen (Manchester United); Cook (Everton), Butler (Blackpool); Brolly (Milwall), Leauna (Belfast Celtic), Weir (Clyde); Cochrane (Leeds United), Stevenson (Everton), Milligan (Chesterfield), Doherty (Manchester City) and Brown (Birmingham).

Wales Confident

Wales was confident at the start, attacking strongly, Ireland took some time to settle down and the opening minutes found play mostly in Irish territory.

Wales opened her account in the seventh minute, when Cumner, the left wing, streaked through the Irish defence off Bryn Jones' pass and beat Breen with a lovely shot.

Ireland improved thereafter, forcing Wales back, and following a mix-up in the Welsh goal-mouth, Millingan, centre-forward, banged in the equaliser (1-1).

Glover, Welsh centre-forward, however, restored the lead to Wales five minutes later when he netted off a corner kick taken by Cumner. The flag-kick was disputed by some Irish players on the ground that it was a goal-kick.

Play throughout the first half was not of a high standard. Ireland attacked hotly before the interval, but was unable to break down the Welsh defence, so that half-time arrived with Wales ahead by the odd goal in three.

Ireland continued her good work in the second half, the resumption finding the Welsh defence hard pressed.

The Irish forwards were very forceful, making many sweeping movements, which, however, were spoiled by poor finishing. Wales slowly turned back the Irish attack and eventually scored. The goal came against the run of the play, Boulter, Welsh inside right, netting in a sudden breakaway. (3-1). Thereafter, Wales improved, though Ireland finished stronger.—Reuter.

Spoon Shoot Held By "B" Company

Pte. K. Cance Returns Excellent Score to Win Trophy

At the last Monthly Spoon Shoot at the Rifle Range Pte. K. Cance put up an excellent score of 66 points which, with his class allowance of 13.5, netted him 79.5 points, placing him head and shoulders above the rest. That a "C" Class shot should net the highest score at the shoot shows the remarkable results of intelligent application on his part of the instructions given him as a recruit.

Detailed results are as follows:—

A1 CLASS

	Gross	All'nce	H'cap	Nett
C.Q.M.S. Wolnizer ..	35	—	—	42
A CLASS				
Pte. Grundt	60	4.5	3	61.5
Pte. Rochc, J.	60	4.5	3	61.5
L/Cpl. Wolnizer	48	4.5	5.25	47.25
B CLASS				
L/Cpl. King	60	9	—	69
L/Cpl. White	59	9	3	65
Pte. Cruz	58	9	3	64
Lt. Greiner	56	9	3	62
L/Cpl. Kaye	54	9	3	60
Cpl. Schusterovitz ..	47	9	—	56
C CLASS				
Pte. Cance, K.	66	13.5	—	79.5
Pte. Strand	53	13.5	—	66.5
Pte. Wolnizer	52	13.5	—	65.5
Pte. Westwood	48	13.5	3	58.5
L/Cpl. Davis	40	13.5	—	53.5
Pte. Harvey, W. ..	39	13.5	—	52.5
Pte. England	40	13.5	3	50.5
Pte. Morris	37	13.5	—	50.5
Pte. Harvey, E. J. ..	27	13.5	—	40.5
Pte. Rickman	26	13.5	—	39.5
Pte. Perme	23	13.5	—	36.5
Pte. Bridger	21	13.5	—	34.5

Miss McIntyre, Fielden Maintain Lead

Close Competition Seen On Bowling Alleys

Riding the crest of a winning wave, Miss McIntyre and Fielden maintained a good lead upon completion of the second round of the Shanghai Mixed Doubles Ten Pins League last night on the alleys of the Foreign Y.M.C.A. The leaders rolled 1,011 to gain an aggregate of 2,076.

Miss McIntyre was in brilliant form as she accounted for a triple of 520 last night to outshine her partner, who garnered a mediocre 491. The leading lady bowler turned in three consistent singles of 165, 174, 181.

Mrs. Hale and Hale climbed from fifth to second place with a grand aggregate of 2,005. Mrs. McDonnell and Hilden made a better jump, from seventh to third. Mrs. Davis and Huebner dropped heavily from third to seventeenth.

Butler and Ross were the outstanding pinmen, the former getting a triple of 562 while the latter made a single of 214. Mrs. McDonnell was the best in singles among the women competitors, with 209.

Miss McIntyre ..	503	165	174	181	520
Fielden	562	181	166	144	491
	1,065	346	340	325	1,011
					2,076
Mrs. Hale	530	139	173	166	478
Hale	481	167	151	198	516
	1,011	306	324	364	994
					2,005
Mrs. McDonnell.	493	155	209	150	514
Hilden	496	173	137	190	500
	989	328	346	340	1,014
					2,003
Miss Hykes	481	159	139	144	442
Deegan	543	158	168	155	481
	1,024	317	307	299	923
					1,947
Mrs. Collaco	476	152	151	170	473
Watton	533	158	130	136	424
	1,009	310	281	306	897
					1,906
Mrs. Malleck ..	460	157	165	171	493
Ross	432	151	214	148	513
	982	308	379	319	1,006
					1,898
Miss Volein	405	133	149	160	442
Gonsalves	507	180	179	168	527
	912	313	328	328	969
					1,881
Mrs. Gray	409	126	139	132	397
Gray	551	180	169	169	518
	960	306	306	301	915
					1,875
Mrs. Allen	415	126	172	177	475
Allen	513	120	165	159	444
	928	246	337	336	919
					1,847
Mrs. Putnam ...	405	139	155	167	461
Blake	487	144	170	162	476
	892	283	325	329	937
					1,829
Mrs. Johnston ..	420	98	95	165	358
Winecoff	522	158	194	176	528
	942	256	289	341	886
					1,828
Mrs. Jensen	421	181	144	131	456
Morang	433	148	202	168	518
	854	329	346	299	974
					1,828
Mrs. Mortimer ..	370	147	129	117	393
Larcher	514	177	184	184	545
	884	324	313	301	938
					1,822
Miss Greenberg	361	145	126	132	403
Chanturai	584	147	147	177	471
	945	292	273	309	874
					1,819
Miss Rybb	438	138	137	102	377
Katz	464	173	189	173	535
	902	311	326	275	912
					1,814

Tense Moments in Darts League

Remarkably Good and Bad Form Exhibited

Playing on what the visitors described as a "chewing-gum" board at the Garrison Sergeants Mess at Tifeng Road Camp last night, Central Police Station eked out a narrow victory over the homesters in an exciting match in the Police Open Darts Competition to climb three more steps on the League ladder.

Both teams fielded their best teams, Wright of the soldiers and Bloor, for the "cops," showing exceptional form. The latter, formerly of the Metropolitan Police, was late champion at the "Old Bull and Bush" Triple Darts League on 'Ampstead 'Eath. Pride of place, however, went to "Taffy" Owens, of the Garrisoners who, when his team mates required a "double one" in the second game, bravely stepped up to the mark and closing both eyes, drove his first dart into the gum where it hung in the requisite bed for just sufficient time before diving to the floor.

This made the score one each and the ensuing excitement became so tense that the rival skippers declared a halt in order to provide liquid refreshment of a potent kind to revive their perspiring teams. Eventually the lads from Central Station got away to a flying start and, never looking back, managed to win the third frame fairly comfortably and with it the match.

Notable scores during the evening were recorded by Mr. Wimsett with 140, who equalled the Open League Individual High Score, and by Mr. Bloor with the unbelievable total of three, which qualifies this gentleman for a lead dart and a pair of woollen-handled wooden spoons.

Mrs. Cardwell ..	437	144	142	154	440
Cardwell	432	173	174	157	504
	869	317	316	311	944
					1,813
Mrs. Davis	432	103	102	118	323
Huebner	595	154	137	168	459
	1,027	257	239	286	782
					1,809
Miss Donaldson .	416	111	99	167	377
Dalton	508	163	191	154	508
	924	274	290	321	1,835
					1,809
Mrs. Rose	345	128	101	150	379
Butler	508	185	177	200	562
	853	313	278	350	941
					1,794
Mrs. Deegan ..	425	149	136	122	407
Robinson	442	162	133	214	509
	867	311	269	336	916
					1,783
Mrs. Cloud	423	109	134	124	367
Cloud	568	150	170	102	422
	991	259	304	226	789
					1,780
Mrs. Horton ...	391	113	141	176	430
Horton	494	138	144	139	441
	885	251	285	315	871
					1,756

Stable Scene at Home

Stable lads go into serious training for the annual Stable Lads Boxing Tournament. The setting is J. Reardon's stables at Epsom; the horse seems to be encouraging the loser.

Tung Hwa Beats French Army

Six Goals Booted Home Without Reply from Tsz Ling Cup Finalists at Canidrome

IN a friendly football game at the Canidrome yesterday Tung Hwa trounced the French Army, finalists in the Tsz Ling Cup, by six clear goals. The Chinese scored three times in each half and easily outclassed their opponents. Displaying superior teamwork, Tung Hwa pressed from the start but the French soldiers' defence was impregnable. L. K. Tai, one of the best centres in Shanghai, played left-back and his absence was keenly felt by the forwards. Time after time the front line lacked a leader as many fine opportunities went begging. At the other end of the field the French team was able to make sporadic raids only because of lack of cohesion. In other words, the Chinese defenders were much too strong.

The first goal came in the 20th minute when H. T. Sun, centre-forward, beat the French goal-keeper, Setti, with a stinging shot. In less than five minutes Tung Hwa tallied a second goal through Z. N. Sung, inside-left who dribbled the ball up on his own effort and placed the shot into the corner of the net.

Two goals down, the soldiers fought back. Zing, the Chinese goal-tender, was tested twice but the shots were weak and the keeper had no difficulty to save.

In the 38th minute Tung Hwa drew a third point, Sung netting on a second successive occasion. This time he received a pretty centre from P. S. Kao, outside-right, and fired straight past Setti, giving the latter no chance to save.

Play deteriorated upon the resumption as the leaders took matters easy. The French players put up a desperate struggle, trying to score at least once. Most of the plays were confined to midfield. Tung Hwa shifted the players and Tai was seen moving up to his usual position. He countered in the 30th minute. It was a long shot, beautifully made from a distance of about 20 yards. Setti was caught unawares.

Five minutes later Liao gained the fifth goal for Tung Hwa. He drove into the net an angular shot. Two minutes before the last whistle Lo put from a melee following a corner kick, the score at 6-0 with a ground shot

The teams were:—

TUNG HWA:—P. K. Zing, L. K. Tai, Z. H. Woo, Z. Z. Tsiang, S. M. Tsar, Z. Z. Lo, P. S. Kao, C. Liao, H. T. Sun, Z. N. Sung, T. Van.

FRENCH FORCES:—Setti, Got, Jacques, Merchiek, Le-borghe, Henthox, Kinker, Gan-sin, Nicolai, Talard, Egel.

More Interport Trials This Week-end

Many Women's Hockey Games Arranged to Be Played

Heading this week-end's programme in women's hockey will be another set of interport trials. The selections for these encounters have not yet been decided but most probably a "Whites" side will meet the combined team of Amazons and In Uno tomorrow afternoon at the Race Course. On Sunday another "Whites" team will play the "Colours."

The Wooden Spoon Competition will be resumed this Sunday in the "B" Division. One friendly game between the German "A" and the Junior Athletic Club "A" has been set for tomorrow at Kiaochow Park. The fixtures are:—

SATURDAY

Friendly Game.—2.30 p.m. German "A" v. J.A.C. "A," Kiaochow Park.

Interport Trial.—2.45 p.m. Whites v. Combined Team, R.C. 4.

SUNDAY

Wooden Spoon.—9.10 a.m. Erin Villa Juniors v. J.A.C. "B," Kiaochow Park. 10.40 a.m. Sokols v. German "B," Kiaochow Park. 2.15 p.m. Erin Villa "B" v. Jewish School, Kiaochow Park.

Interport Trial.—2.45 p.m. Whites v. Colours, R.C. 4.

Police Team Against Tung Hwa

To play for the S.M. Police against Tung Hwa in a reserve division football match at Kiaochow Park on Sunday the following have been chosen: D. Crank; H. Stangaard, H. Eardley, A. Rimmer, N. Douglas, E. Roliz; H. J. Oakley (capt.), A. Bulpin, G. J. Clarke, E. Margison and Chooklantzeff. Reserves.—Robinson and McGregor.

Boxing Talent Ready For Tomorrow

Levchenko-Haines Bout Heads Card

With the boxing talent which is to appear in the boxing card at the Auditorium tomorrow night tapering off its training today, local interest in the second of the Hai-Alai organization's fistic offerings for 1939 has grown steadily, the last two days having witnessed a steady demand for all types of accommodation.

Tomorrow's international card is headed by Chuck Haines, Fourth Marines' outstanding scrapper, and "Smiling George" Levchenko, ace Russian boxer, who are the leading contenders for the Welterweight Championship of China title vacant since the departure for America of the late Andre Shelaeff who, it will be rememberd, knocked out Levchenko in two rounds in his final appearance in Shanghai.

Haines, having outgrown the lightweight class, is in the welter division for keeps and he will need all his speed and hitting power against the fast-moving and clever Russian, one of the ablest boxers in this city. Haines is the sort who provides action, but he may run into a tartar if he becomes incautious with Levchenko who, while not a powerful puncher, packs enough weight into his gloves to damage Haines' notoriously brittle jaw.

The other big event of the evening will be the return battle between Nicki Wan, youthful Chinese cruiserweight champion, and Leo Kubiak of the Fourth Marines. This semi-final is a "natural," and the limit of six rounds set is not expected to detract from the excitement. Wan, although downed twice for brief counts, courageously fought his way up-hill to a well-earned and popular decision over the Marine, and their return meeting has been eagerly awaited during the intervening three weeks.

With boxing taking the limelight, there will be only one Hai-Alai meeting tomorrow, this being the matinee at 2 o'clock. On Sunday, however, there will be a double programme, the feature of the afternoon session being the Super heat of the Hai-Alai Spring Champions.

Hockey Club Will Be Busy This Week-end

Three Matches Arranged for Saturday and Sunday

This week-end the Shanghai Hockey Club will be involved in three matches. Tomorrow, the S.H.C. "A" will meet H.M.S. Dorsetshire on the Shanghai Cricket Club Ground beginning at 3 p.m. and the S.H.C. "B" will meet Area Details on R.G. 3 beginning at 3.30 p.m. Then on Sunday, the S.H.C. "C" will meet the German Hockey Club "C" on R.G. 7 beginning at 2.15 p.m. Following are the sides chosen by the Shanghai Hockey Club for these matches.

S.H.C. "A."—J. Pullen, J. H. Blakelock, H. A. Crickmer, C. B. Broadbent, M. W. Turner (Capt.), B. K. Wallace, J. S. Kenyon, D. J. Boyd, J. R. Cole, A. Maude, R. J. Parsons. Umpire:—R. J. Whitehead.

S.H.C. "B."—T. H. Wood, W. J. Silvey, G. T. Gambling, I. H. Bradford, S. M. Macoustra, R. G. Haines, G. J. Read, J. C. Boldero, C. Woolhouse, H. W. Carter, L. Underwood. Umpire:—S. M. Carlisle.

S.H.C. "C."—J. W. Galvin, J. Fairbairn, C. F. D. Lowe (Capt.), S. M. Macoustra, F. C. Warburton, I. H. Bradford, H. W. Carter, L. Underwood, T. G. C. Knight, R. C. P. Rouse, T. H. Wood. Umpire:—E. P. Higgs.

S.G.C. Teeing Off Times

SEEKINGJAO SATURDAY

12.36 Fielding, Smith/Jones, Schinazi
12.48 Riggs, Ballingall/Wentworth, Pond
1.00 Meyerink, Wilson
1.24 Russell, Cizek/Davis, Bungey
1.32 Kench, Miners/Grubb, MacDonald
1.44 MacFarlane, Marshall
1.48 Piper, Bell/King, Graham
1.56 Openshaw, McNicoll
2.04 Fistere, Johnstone
2.08 Neumann, Hoffmann (4 Ball)
2.12 Lurton, Ross
2.16 Blackwood, Rigden
2.24 Smith, Mary (4-Ball)
2.28 Saphiere, Huggett (4-Ball)

SEEKINGJAO SUNDAY

8.36 Grubb, Carson
8.44 Neumann, Ashworth
8.48 Harnett, Rogers
8.52 Snow, Mark/MacDonald, Kwileckt
9.04 MacFarlane, Cizek/Saphicre, Germ
9.12 George, Cooper/Mary, Gallop
9.24 Pratt, Duff/Lewis, Clark
9.32 Brister, Morris/Kench, Ramplin
9.44 Bell, Jourdin/Stevenson, Tibble
9.52 Russell, Dixon/Piper, Drysdale
10.04 Huggett, Chalmers/Willson, Davies
10.12 Meyerink, Morrison
10.16 MacFarlane, Drysdale
10.24 McCutcheon, Rudgard
10.28 Judd, Martin/Allan, Black
10.36 Openshaw, Maughan
10.44 Cameron, Smith
10.48 Fielding, Brown
10.52 Mrs. Black, Mrs. Allan
10.56 Riggs, Pearson
11.04 Jones, Beeman
1.56 Mennie, Davis
2.24 King, LaMont

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Spunt Cup Final Once More Arranged for Week-end

Club 1st XV to Meet U.S. Marines to Decide Rugger Question; Three Matches in All

AT last! With the weather apparently settled once again, rugby enthusiasts can look forward with a great deal of pleasure to the meeting between the Club 1st XV and the U.S. Marines 1st XV on Saturday afternoon to decide which team shall hold the battered Spunt Cup for the ensuing year. After protracted negotiations the Shanghai Rugby Union Football Club has arranged another excellent programme for Saturday, which will ring down the curtain for Shanghai rugger for 1938-1939. Three matches will be played and each and every one should prove to be a most interesting tussle.

It is rather a pity that no games are listed for Sunday, the last available day for play, but it has been found most difficult to put sides in the field, previous engagements made by the responsible officials taking care of the destinies of various teams having precluded such an arrangement.

Nevertheless, followers of the handling code appearing at the Race Course on Saturday may be assured that their time will be well spent, the three events down to be played all being of a high standard.

First and foremost, of course, is the game between the Club and the Marines, which should draw the biggest crowd yet seen on the Polo Grounds this year. Both sides have had a long lay-off and it is rather doubtful whether they are now in the peak of condition, since practice and actual match play have been right out of the question for the last month or so. The Americans, who have not held the Cup for the past four years, will be out to prove their superiority over the civilian fifteen and their general all round fitness, speed and keenness will stand them in good stead during the proceedings. They already hold one victory over the Club this season when, it will be remembered, the Marine forwards shoved their opponents all over the field.

Saturday's Prospects

As matters stand at present there is every possibility that the "leathernecks" will have the better of the game forward on Saturday, since their pack is by far heavier, man for man, than that of the Club. They have a most useful hooker in Ferra and with the necessary weight, they should do well. They break up quickly and have shown, on several occasions, that they are more than useful in the loose. Their halves can be relied upon to give their threes all the support that is necessary, but despite the fact that these backs are faster than their opposite numbers, it is very doubtful whether they will be able to do much damage against a set of outsides who are far more experienced in every phase of the game.

The Club's pack has been unfortunately weakened by the enforced absence of Burford and Stewart, two very hard working forwards, but despite this handicap, the Shanghai side can be relied upon to display the wares that gained them the victory over Hongkong. Another disappointment is the fact that Laird and Crowe will not be out, Bassett and Read taking their places. The two newcomers have both, at various times, had experience in good class football, but the former may find himself lost against as nippy a scrum-half as Shanghai has been for a number of years. Read, however, will certainly not let the side down, his defensive work always being up to a high standard.

The Marines will start favourites, but if Alec Kennedy, the popular Club captain, can get his men into that mood where nothing will stop them, it would come as not the slightest surprise to see the Club reverse the earlier result.

Other Matches

Preceding the "big" game, which will commence at 3 p.m., the Club 3rd XV and the Seaforth Highlanders will clash. The civilians are turning out a most useful side and the Scots can expect to have a warm time from start to finish. In the games they have played recently, however, the soldiers have exhibited an air-tight defence and unless the Club backs can get moving in the early stages before the Highlanders have settled down, a low scoring game is likely to eventuate.

At 3.30 p.m. the Club 2nd XV and Area Details meet for the championship of the Second Division "A" Section. The Club has been slightly weakened by certain players moving up into the first fifteen and there is little doubt that this move will take its toll before the final whistle blows. The soldiers have a most useful side and if report counts for anything, they will have at their disposal the most powerful team that has yet represented them this season. With such sterling players as Wallis, Kerrich, Crewe, Hill, Hamlin, Hall and that hard working Welsh forward, Evans, in the fifteen, the Club can anticipate a very warm time. The Army side should win, but they will have to dominate proceedings in the pack and prevent the Club backs from getting on the move too often to achieve such a result.

SATURDAY

2.15 p.m. Club 3rd XV v. Seaforth Highlanders (Referee: Mr. E. R. West).
3 p.m. Club 1st XV v. U.S. Marines 1st XV (Referee: Mr. E. McLaren) (Spunt Cup Final).
3.30 p.m. Club 2nd XV v. Area Details (Referee: Mr. G. S. Dunkley).

Club Teams

CLUB FIRST XV:—W. H. B. Rigg; J. W. M. Martin, I. F. Aucott, R. H. Roe, I. M. Hutchison; A. S. Read, T. R. Bassett; W. D. Pearson, M. N. Speyer, G. H. Reynolds, D. I. Campbell, R. U. Reynods, J. R. M. Warner, P. B. Tay and A. M. Kennedy (Captain).

CLUB SECOND XV:—J. L. R. Mair; O. P. Edwards, A. P. D. Kennedy, S. J. Ward, P. J. A. Innes; A. Thomas, R. Dickson; J. March, C. H. Hodgman, D. M. Wheeler, G. A. Yanus, J. D. Sayle, W. V. K. Chadwick, R. G. Daniel and W. J. Richmond (Captain).

CLUB THIRD XV:—B. R. Brown; E. S. Blackwood, R. N. Bryant, R. E. Moon, A. D. Sayle; B. H. McMichael, L. R. St. Louis; J. R. Blaikie, F. W. Gilbert, A. L. A. Bonbernard, G. L. Hinds, R. V. Stapleton-Cotton, W. P. Hetherington, F. W. Poate and S. M. Thornley (Captain).

Those members selected finding themselves unable to turn out, are requested to inform Mr. A. M. Kennedy (Telephone 12830) to this effect not later than 5 p.m. TODAY, so that arrangement may be made to replace them.

Surprisingly Easy Victory

Eardley and Miss Eardley Win at Badminton

Eardley and Miss Eardley secured a surprisingly easy victory over de Senna and Mrs. Remedios yesterday evening at the Union Church in the Shanghai Badminton Association Mixed Doubles championships. Winning in two straight setts, 15-12 and 15-4 they now enter the final and will play the winners of the Meise and Mrs. Burton, Shellam and Miss Harrop bout.

One of the remarkable features of yesterday's game was the number of faults served. In the first sett, Senna and his partner faulted no less than nine times and their opponents three. General conditions rather favoured the winners, the shuttles being fast and playing on a court to which they were accustomed. Although Senna put across some sparkling play he never seemed to get into his stride and his usual clever net-play was conspicuous by its absence.

Eardley won the toss and took the service. Two changes were made before either side scored after which Eardley started with a three, the run being stopped by Mrs. Remedios, who played a sound game throughout, rushing his service. Miss Eardley, however, increased the score to 6-0. At this point only, did Senna take command of the game when in spite of three faults he took the lead at 7-6. Eardley was smashing well and was given plenty of opportunity of playing his strongest stroke. The points crept up to 14-12, Eardley leading and one down when a clever shot by Mrs. Remedios which just failed to clear the net completed the sett.

The second sett started disastrously for the Portuguese pair, who had not opened their score when their opponents reached 7. Before the end of the game Senna collected 4 points but every time the Eardleys took the shuttle they added to their score, the whole of the sett only seeing the service change sides twelve times.

Skottowe Cup Final Teams Selected

Police Prepare to Meet Lido Tomorrow

In the final round match of the Skottowe Cup against the Lido tomorrow, the S.M. Police will be represented by:

W. Ward; E. Victal, A. Turner; W. Westwood, T. Crook, J. Gibson (capt.); F. Woodley, F. W. Bader, P. Duffy, S. Greenberg and R. Wilkinson.

To oppose this team, Lido will be represented by: T. U. Loh, K. H. Wong, L. K. Chang, N. L. Meng, F. C. Tsan, K. L. Yang, M. S. Chang, V. K. Hyui, N. Z. Lee, K. S. Suen, C. T. Tsao.

Canidrome Results

Racing results on Wednesday were:

1—440 yd. flat.—1, Our Best; 2, Tragopan.
Also ran:—Wee Wren, Rocket, The Mate, Slippery Sam.
5 lengths.—Time, 27.31.
Win, $23.80. Forecast (3-5) Div. $144.70.
Place, 1st $11.40; 2nd $19.90.

2—500 yd. flat.—1, Mr. Ching; 2, Wee Dell.
Also ran:—Sam Holer, Rio Tinto, Jacqueline, Se You Kee.
½ length.—Time, 31.36.
Win, $31.70. Forecast (3-2) Div. $232.50.
Place, 1st $13.90; 2nd $16.60.
Double Event 1/2 (3-3) Div. $57.80.

3—500 yd. flat.—1, Kind Girl; 2, Banque Eve.
A head.—Time, 30.74.
Win, $16.30. Forecast (1-2) Div. $71.60.
Place, 1st $8.00; 2nd $9.20.
Double Event 2/3 (3-1) Div. $112.20.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Bouzou, 2, Skedaddle.
½ length.—Time, 30.66.
Win, $14.40. Forecast (3-4) Div. $75.40.
Place, 1st $8.00; 2nd $11.30.
Double Event 3/4 (1-3) Div. $22.10.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Speedwing; 2, L'Ousta No.
1½ length.—Time, 30.79.
Win, $31.60. Forecast (4-3) Div. $86.30.
Place, 1st $13.00; 2nd $9.20.
Double Event 4/5 (3-4) Div. $61.60.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Bronte; 2, Red Terror.
½ length.—Time, 30.99.
Win, $20.10. Forecast (4-5) Div. $85.40.
Place, 1st $9.70; 2nd $11.90.
Double Event 5/6 (4-4) Div. $59.90.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Assurance; 2, Distinction.
Short head.—Time, 30.69.
Win, $16.90. Forecast (1-3) Div. $71.90.
Place, 1st $7.90; 2nd $7.50.
Double Event 6/7 (4-1) Div. $41.90.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Go By; 2, Wild Jack.
1½ length.—Time, 30.27.
Win, $44.30. Forecast (4-3) Div. $126.90.
Place, 1st $12.40; 2nd $7.00.
Double Event 7/8 (1-4) Div. $83.70.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Lucky Jun; 2, Gigolo.
A head.—Time, 30.22.
Win, $12.90. Forecast (1-3) Div. $68.80.
Place, 1st $7.90; 2nd $13.40.
Double Event 8/9 (4-1) Div. $47.30.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, Messenger Boy; 2, Buffalo Bill.
Johnnie, Judy, Mr. Hattagee.
4½ lengths.—Time, 29.49.
Win, $24.60. Forecast (5-2) Div. $142.70.
Place, 1st $15.00; 2nd $13.70.
Double Event 9/10 (1-5) Div. $23.60.

11—525 yd. flat.—1, La Donna; 2, Chop Stick.
1½ length.—Time, 31.86.
Win, $34.40. Forecast (6-4) Div. $234.10.
Place, 1st $26.90; 2nd $15.90.
Double Event 10/11 (5-6) Div. $8.80.

12—525 yd. flat.—1, Red Bug; 2, Our Delight.
1 length.—Time, 31.52.
Win, $32.40. Forecast (1-2) Div. $120.10.
Place, 1st $10.90; 2nd $9.90.
Double Event 11/12 (6-1) Div. $246.50.

Rugby Union Results

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 15.

Kent drew 9-9 with United Banks at New Beckenham, while the Royal Air Force defeated the Civil Service by 23 to 6 in matches in the Rugby Union played today.—Reuter.

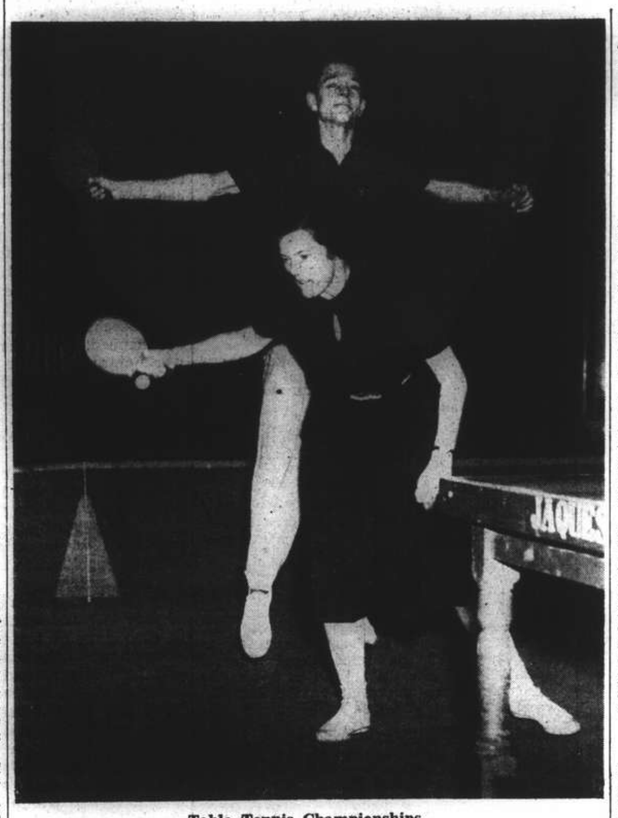

Table Tennis Championships

B. Band of Czechoslovakia (?) the world champion gesticulates as his partner, Miss V. Vortrubcova takes a shot during the championships in England recently.

Scotland's Team for Local Cup Final

The following players have been selected to represent Scotland in the International Cup Final on Sunday, at 3 p.m. on the Race Course.

Sinclair (Rowing Club); Gibson and Turner (Police) (Capt.); McAloon (Police); McCusker (Seaforths); Muir (Rowing Club); Gilmour (Seaforths); Cheney (Seaforths); Cochran (P.T.H.); Fraser (Seaforths); Thompson (Seaforths). Reserves: Campbell (Seaforths); McCorkindale (P.T.H.)

Canidrome Results

1—440 yd. flat.—1, Pai Koo; 2, Jorrock's Alone.
Also ran:—Chihli Grey Wolf, Blue Moon, Baloney, Snow Dale.
A head.—Time, 26.76.
Win, $26.70. Forecast (1-4) Div. $215.10.
Place, 1st $11.10; 2nd $29.20.

2—500 yd. flat.—1, Hei Jen Ya Kiao; 2, Arrow.
Also ran:—Princeton, Vita Spermin, Paying Teller, Silver Days.
Short head.—Time, 31.21.
Win, $15.80. Forecast (5-1) Div. $152.90.
Place, 1st $10.50; 2nd $24.90.
Double Event 1/2 (1-5) Div. $40.00.

3—500 yd. flat.—1, Betty; 2, Bowster Boy.
Also ran:—Black Bess, Terminjoy, The Stowaway, State Lottery.
6 lengths—Time, 30.66.
Win, $11.70. Forecast (1-3) Div. $50.90.
Place, 1st $8.20; 2nd $11.40.
Double Event 2/3 (5-1) Div. $20.20.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Jack O'Lantern; 2, Outlaw.
Lose, Dah Chong, Regal.
Also ran:—Poppyland II, Maskee
1 length.—Time, 30.72.
Win, $22.20. Forecast (3-5) Div. $141.00.
Place, 1st $11.50; 2nd $16.80.
Double Event 3/4 (1-3) Div. $21.10.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Trump Card; 2, Fearless Foe.
Also ran:—Paper Boy, Luss Shore, Happy Glen, Victory II.
½ length.—Time, 30.91.
Win, $32.80. Forecast (1-2) Div. $154.80.
Place, 1st $17.80; 2nd $10.20.
Double Event 4/5 (3-1) Div. $59.10.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Bandit; 2, Jackie's Girl.
Also ran:—Wayside Petticorn, Dalesom, Lone Tess, High Brow.
3½ lengths.—Time, 30.11.
Win, $34.50. Forecast (3-4) Div. $167.30.
Place, 1st $12.90; 2nd $9.50.
Double Event 5/6 (1-3) Div. $197.10.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Bowsterman; 2, Lee Butin.
Also ran:—Fuiover, Adam's Ruin, Aramis, Chekiang.
5 lengths.—Time, 29.89.
Win, $12.60. Forecast (6-1) Div. $57.10.
Place, 1st $9.90; 2nd $13.30.
Double Event 6/7 (3-6) Div. $66.40.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Mad Dale; 2, Captain Drew.
Also ran:—Beaconsfield, Lady Whirlwind, Teiresias, Lady Ruby.
½ length.—Time, 30.24.
Win, $27.90. Forecast (3-2) Div. $158.50.
Place, 1st $12.90; 2nd $11.90.
Double Event 7/8 (6-3) Div. $37.40.

9—525 yd. flat.—1, Shanghai Bill; 2, Wild Harmony.
Also ran:—Sweet Moon, Wild Rose, Flintship, Gazelle.
3½ lengths.—Time, 31.36.
Win, $21.40. Forecast (5-6) Div. $118.10.
Place, 1st $13.00; 2nd $15.10.
Double Event 8/9 (3-5) Div. $33.40.

10—525 yd. flat.—1, Markanson; 2, Master Zeb.
Also ran:—Careless Cissie, Careless Beauty, Chop Fante, Athos.
Win, $10.50. Forecast (6-1) Div. 1 length.—Time, 30.98. $40.00.
Place, 1st $7.40; 2nd $8.20.
Double Event 9/10 (5-6) Div. $32.20.

11—500 yd. flat.—1, Whirlwind; 2, Lady Luck.
Also ran:—Our Fortune, Blarney Stone, Vassar, Short Stay.
½ length.—Time 30.18.
Win, $17.60. Forecast (1-4) Div. $50.50.
Place, 1st $10.60; 2nd $9.00.
Double Event 10/11 (6-1) Div. $20.10.

12—500 yd. flat.—1, Hopalong; 2, The Buck.
Also ran:—Cross Bow, Tommy Aikins, Shanghai Mist, Joyous Colleen.
1 length.—Time, 29.66.
Win, $16.00. Forecast (6-2) Div. $71.90.
Place, 1st $9.50; 2nd $18.00.
Double Event 11/12 (1-6) Div. $23.30.

Week-end Soccer Here

The following are the S.F.A. fixtures for the week-end:

SATURDAY

Skottowe Cup Finals.—Lido *v.* S.M.P., Canidrome, 2.30 p.m.. A. C. Sinclair; Line: O. G. R. Beynon, S. Y. Loch.
Tsz Ling Cup Finals.—Bramtoco *v.* French Forces, R.G.1, S. S. Moffett; Line: J. Anderson, C. H. Mahon.
1st division.—Aurora *v.* Surreys, Kiaochow, L. Chang; Line: C. F. Lee, Z. T. Loh; S.F.X. *v.* S.R.C., R.G.2, E. M. Marchetti; Line: K. Beck, N. Fadeyeff.
3rd division.—Vitiaz *v.* Xaverians, R.G.5, S. Neumann.

SUNDAY

International Cup Finals.—Scotland *v.* Portugal, R.G.1, S. E. Burt; Line: J. Anderson, G. L. Aitchison.
1st division.—Tung Hwa *v.* A.S.F., Canidrome, 10.30 a.m., W. T. Sung; Line: G. Tai, Huang.
Reserve division.—S.M.P. *v.* Tung Hwa, Klaochow, N. Fadeyeff.
2nd division.—Ching Hwa *v.* Brit. Navy, Kiaochow 9 a.m., W. F. Field; Sokol *v.* P.T.H., R.G.5, H. A. Harrs.
3rd division.—Area Details *v.* Rowing Club, R.G.2, K. Beck.

Mr. Eden May Join Cabinet Again

Mr. Duff-Cooper Also Expected to Return If Policy Changed

London, Mar. 16.

Following Germany's action in Central Europe, parliamentary quarters here expect a Cabinet shuffle, with Mr. Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary, and Mr. Alfred Duff-Cooper, former First Lord of the Admiralty, re-entering the Cabinet.

Another possibility is the formation of a National Cabinet, as advocated by Mr. Eden in the House of Commons last night.

It is stated that Mr. Winston Churchill will not be offered a Government office for the time being.

The return of Mr. Eden and Mr. Duff-Cooper to the Cabinet will foreshadow, some quarters say, a reversal in British foreign policy and the abandonment of the "policy of appeasement."

The inclusion of Mr. Churchill in the Cabinet would only be possible, it is said, in the event of the formation of a National Cabinet with the participation of Liberals and the Labour opposition, but the latter groups would, most likely, raise conditions which may be deemed inacceptable by Mr. Neville Chamberlain.—Havas.

Home Soccer Results

London, Mar. 15.

Following are results of home soccer matches played today:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE, FIRST DIVISION
Chelsea 1, Blackpool 1.
Sunderland 0, Portsmouth 2.
Huddersfield 1, Liverpool 1.
THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)
Bournemouth 1, Port Vale 1.
THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)
Bradford City 2, Doncaster 1.
SCOTTISH LEAGUE, FIRST DIVISION
Clyde 2, Queen's Park 3.—Reuter.

Huge Fire Destroys Whole Block

Over Fifty Shops, Houses Gutted in Morning Blaze In Robison Road

Four people, including a Chinese member of the Shanghai Municipal Fire Brigade, were injured yesterday morning during an outbreak of fire on Robison Road in which over 53 shops and Chinese houses were destroyed. The fire was the largest outbreak seen in the city for sometime, almost all of the property involved being razed to the ground, or gutted completely inside.

Originating in a Chinese shop at 701 Robison Road at 10.15 a.m., the blaze spread with alarming rapidity to adjoining property and, although the Fire Brigade arrived on the scene a few minutes later, they found that the flimsy structures were a mass of flames.

Responding to urgent calls, more engines from the Ichang Road and Bubbling Well stations were despatched to the scene and a three hour fight against the flames commenced. Attacking the fire from all sides the firemen eventually brought the huge outbreak under control and saved adjoining houses and shops from complete destruction. At about 1.45 p.m. the engines returned to their stations, leaving behind them charred and blackened ruins.

Destructive Spread

During the huge outbreak one Chinese was rushed to the Red Cross Hospital suffering from extensive burns and a short time later a firemen had to be removed to the Police Hospital after lacerating his lip while attacking the flames from a dangerous position. Later two Chinese women were discovered to be suffering from head and leg injuries and they were taken to hospital for treatment.

After the departure of the engines the whole of one block of houses and shops commencing at 701 Robison Road and ending at 727 in the same thoroughfare, were found to be gutted completely, blackened and charred debris being piled high inside the shells of what once had been shops and homes. All the buildings were roofless, the fire in its amazing spread having destroyed all except a few walls.

A final check, after the fire, revealed that 13 shops and 40 houses had been involved in the blaze, the following houses being completely destroyed: Nos. 1-6, 11-14, 22-26, 21-35, in Lane 715, Robison Road, where the flames reached their highest intensity. The damage is estimated at many thousands of dollars.

As a result of the outbreak many Chinese families have been rendered homeless, most of their belongings having perished in the flames. A few, however, managed to drag out some of their property before the rapid advance of the flames and were accommodated by other Chinese families in the neighbourhood.

Dope Smugglers Seized By Police

Court Remands Suspects For Inquiries

A new arrest was made on Wednesday by the Chengtu Road police in connection with the big opium smuggling case in which four alleged drug dealers riding in a hire car were arrested in Weihaiwei Road last Sunday while they were trying to transport more than seven pounds of the contraband to a buyer living in the western district.

On the person of the newly arrested man, Li Shih-ching, said to be a brother of one of the quartette already sent to the court, more than three pounds of the drug were found. Li was brought before Judge Liu in the First Special District Court yesterday on a writ of detention and the hearing will be held on March 24 when he will be tried together with the other four men.

Li is a waiter of a Customs brokerage firm in North Wusih Road. He is said to be a brother of Li Chungkao, who, it was alleged, has been responsible for unloading opium cleverly hidden in Chinese medicine packages shipped to Shanghai. The drug was also mailed to Shanghai through the Post Office, but it was always hidden in Chinese medicine packages.

The men detained are alleged to belong to a large gang of opium smugglers having business connections with opium merchants in Yunnan. They have been doing the business for a long time, but their trick was discovered only last Sunday quite accidentally by the police.

Rear-Admiral Hart to Succeed Adm. Yarnell

Washington, Mar. 15.

Rear-Admiral Harold Stark has been appointed to succeed Admiral Willaim D. Leahy as Chief of Naval Operations. The latter is retiring on May 1. Rear-Admiral Stark at present is Chief of Ordnance.

The appointment of Rear-Admiral Thomas C. Hart, Chairman of the General Board of the U.S. Navy, to succeed Rear-Admiral Harry Yarnell as Commander of the Asiatic Fleet is also announced.—Reuter.

Halifax Wins Rugby Cup Replay

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London, Mar. 15.

Halifax beat Wakefield by 15 points to 12 in the replay of a match in the 3rd Round of the Rugby League Cup today.

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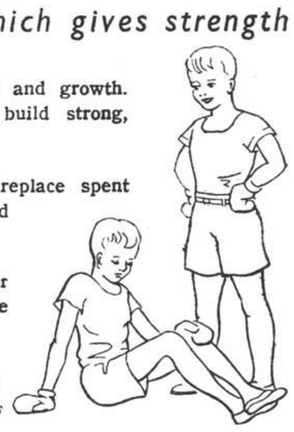

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BIRTH

MUCK.—On March 8, 1939, at the Canossa Hospital, Hongkong, to LILIANA (née Monti), wife of Ernst E. Muck, twin daughters. 11486

DEATHS

YUI.—On Saturday, March 11, 1939, at the Red Cross Hospital, Shanghai, Miss BLANCA SUSY YUI, aged 37 years. Funeral services will be held tomorrow, Saturday, March 18, in the Chapel of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road at 3 p.m., to be followed by interment at the Hungjao Road Cemetery, at 4 p.m. 11485

BEKINA-DROSDOVA.—On Wednesday, March 15, 1939, at her home, LYDIA CH. BEKINA-DROSDOVA, 73 years old. Survived by her grand-daughter, Marina Dunne. -3176

DRUMMOND.—On Wednesday, March 15, 1939, at his residence, 214 Avenue du Roi Albert, WILLIAM JOHAN "STEVE," in his 62nd year, the dearly-beloved husband of Winifred Mary Drummond and brother of Johan Frederick (Kobe), James Ekstrand (London), and Donald Edwin Mackenzie (U.S.A.). Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral services and interment will take place at the Bubbling Well Cemetery, today, Friday, March 17, at 3 p.m. (Kobe and Yokohama papers please copy.) 11472

IN MEMORIAM

MARY V. YANISHEVSKY.—In ever-loving and cherished memory of our dearest Mother who so suddenly passed away on March 17, 1933.

"A dear one from our sight is gone
A voice we loved is still
A place is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled."

Not just today but every day, in silence we remember. -3053

IMPARTIAL NOT NEUTRAL

WRITING ON THE WALL

The Munich Four Power Pact has failed. That can be the only interpretation to be given of the dramatic strokes whereby Czechoslovakia has been swallowed up by the German Reich. The statement made last October that Herr Hitler had no further territorial ambitions in Europe has been found in the final event to be untrue, and that goodwill upon which Mr. Neville Chamberlain founded his policy of appeasement has been shown to be non-existent. It follows that his policy has received another reverse, and one from which it may not recover, for it is quite obvious that a policy based upon a faulty premise cannot be expected long to survive the exposure of its falsity. That is not to admit that Mr. Chamberlain was wrong when he went to Munich in an endeavour to prevent a world catastrophe. His success in that direction is sufficient justification for what he did, but reviewed in the light of all that has happened since, it is quite clear that, while he thought something had been saved out of the wreck of Czechoslovakia, Herr Hitler was entirely of another opinion. Czechoslovakia was to be incorporated into the Reich, and while certain sections of it may be given a certain amount of local autonomy, the fact remains that Bohemia, Moravia, Slovakia, and probably Ruthenia have passed under German control. In their passing they have provided the first denial of Herr Hitler's doctrine of racism, for he has absorbed races which cannot by any stretch of the imagination be described as German, and the first indication has been given of the rashness of believing that any of the principles which he has laid down "Mein Kampf" have about them any abiding quality. From now onwards to place any reliance upon the good faith upon which Mr. Chamberlain has depended will be to commit a blunder of the gravest magnitude. The world at large has now been duly warned that the commission delimiting Czechoslovakia's new boundaries was nothing but a solemn farce. Those boundaries were never destined by at least two parties to that commission to be permanent.

The technique was the same as that employed against Austria and Czechoslovakia last year, and it must give other of the Central European and Eastern European States furiously to think. What, the world will ask, will come next? The way to Rumania is now open, the Black Sea may very well be the next goal, or Memel, or the Ukraine, or Poland itself. It is even suggested that the time is coming for Germany, and Italy to open their attack on the western democracies, though it is possible that that will wait for the time being while Germany takes all the steps necessary to protect herself against the effect of a blockade which would inevitably be put into operation upon the commencement of any such manœuvre. With the wealth of Rumania, and the Ukraine, Germany could withstand a blockade indefinitely, and it is, perhaps because of the realization that the idea of the short sharp war may have to give place to the conception of a long-drawn-out one, that Germany is seeking to secure sources of supplies which she does not at present have in sufficient quantities, and which are imperative in the event of any prolonged struggle. It will be seen that with this latest development the perfection of a better understanding between the democracies, and those other countries which are being threatened is becoming increasingly necessary, and the recognition of a need for common defence against aggression may be the next important step calculated to thwart those nations whose present policy is one of crypto-aggression which may very quickly be transformed into overt. It is impossible to over-emphasize the gravity of the situation. It is such that in Great Britain Mr. Chamberlain may find himself no longer able to exert the control he has up to the present. It may be that the demand for the formation of a National Government embracing representation of all parties will prove in the not too distant future something which he cannot afford to disregard, for it must be very apparent to him that the factor most likely to contribute to his own downfall is the man in whom he has displayed such touching faith,—Herr Hitler.

There is, nevertheless, still a chance for him to retain his position. The firmness which has been recently displayed in British policy has arisen from a realization of the way things were tending. Now that that has been so strikingly demonstrated by the grabbing of Czechoslovakia, for that is what it is and nothing else, there can be no room for doubt that the only possible policy which can now be followed is one of determined resistance to the aggressor nations. There can be no question of further concession, and the formation of a National Coalition Government embracing all those leaders who are of that opinion would be the clearest indication of Great Britain's will to resist. Limits have been reached, they are in danger of being overstepped, and the democracies of the world must now face the tragic possibilities of the future. The only way to give British statesmen that rapidity of decision which is so strong a weapon in the hands of the Dictators is by the formation of a Coalition Government which would remove any powerful opposition in the House of Commons, and place that body very much in the position it was during so much of the Great War. And it is better that it should be done now than when catastrophe is threatened. Political mobilization such as this is imperatively necessary, and Mr. Chamberlain can best retrieve his own position by recognition of that fact and acting accordingly. Justice in such days as these is best reinforced by strength, and determination to use it quickly, and both France and Great Britain should so place themselves as to be able to employ from the earliest moment the undoubted might which they possess. As for the passing of Czechoslovakia what can be said, save to express the profoundest sympathy with the people of that shortlived republic. It may have had within it the seeds of its own dissolution from the very moment of its inception, but it is nevertheless something which touches the emotions to see so gallant a little people deprived of their just aspirations and politically martyred in the manner in which they have been.

St. Patrick's Day

Although their patron saint was born in Wales which led Bernard Shaw to go farther afield to suggest the birthplace of the people, Irish folk as they celebrate St. Patrick's Day today know that, history and Shavianisms apart, in the four national celebrations held every year theirs is one of the proudest and most honoured. As a matter of fact, they are far more certain historically of their own patron saint than the English are of St. George, who has a number of different origins, most of them utterly foreign, but it is not the fact, it is the spirit of the thing that counts. Ireland's contribution to Great Britain and the British Empire has been immense although sometimes it has been put in an unfavourable light. In celebrating St. Patrick's day the congratulations of all other peoples and parts of the Empire will go to the sons and daughters of Erin although Eire is the more modern name for the great part of the beautiful green island renowned in song and poetry. In Shanghai today, members of St. Patrick's Society will observe the day in traditional fashion, paying tribute to the Great War dead at the War Memorial and remembering, also in kindly fashion, Irish soldiers who gave their lives for the protection of Shanghai—men of the Ulster Rifles killed in the hostilities in the autumn of 1937. Tonight, there will be the annual ball at the French Club when Irish hospitality and festivity will be at its height. The inspiration to transplant a little bit of homeland in Shanghai has found consummation in the importation of shamrock from Ireland by air mail, and the magic of the star dust sprinkled over the bit of heaven that fell from out the sky one day has been equalled by the horticultural magic of the secretary in preserving the freshness of the shamrock for wear today after its long trip.

Democracy in England

With the object of finding out what Great Britain's young men and women under the age of thirty years hope for and expect from democracy, and whether they believe that better education is helping them to become better citizens, organizations representing schools, universities, youth movements, junior political parties, etc., recently went into conference in London under the auspices of the Association for Education in Citizenship. The President of the Association is Lord Baldwin, the former British Prime Minister, who in a brilliant speech gave a survey of the rise and development of democracy in England. He pointed out that, whereas in totalitarian states one person only is responsible for the conduct of the nation's affairs, and citizenship is easy because it simply means blind obedience to the dictator's word, in Great Britain every man and woman has a voice in the government of their country, and is therefore to some extent responsible for its success or failure. Such responsibility develops both the character and intelligence of a nation, and this in turn helps to strengthen the system of government, because every citizen feels it is a part of himself. It is a remarkable fact that Great Britain is almost the only democratic country in the world which has no written constitution, and this fact has imparted a high degree of elasticity to its system of government and enabled the nation to adapt itself to changing conditions without great upheavals. As Lord Baldwin reminded his listeners, only once in its long history has democracy in England been involved in a struggle in which kindred blood was shed, and he maintained that the common brotherhood of man is an axiom of democracy, the truth of which must be realized before the barriers between the nations can be broken down.

A Country Diary

March 14.—Have just read an amazing extract from a Bangkok paper referring to Termites as dealt with in a lecture on the interrelation of Forestry and Agriculture. It seems that the Termites (or White Ants) have been proved guilty of stealing lime from the soil, thus increasing the fertility of their own "anthills" and impoverishing the surrounding soil. In the course of his report the lecturer made some startling statements such as these: Termites originally lived above ground, but were forced by "robber states" (i.e. natural enemies) to go below ground where they have perfected all modern human devices for Air Raid Precautions: their A.R.P. measures include ....air-conditioning of dug-outs; special classes of traffic police; signalling by tapping (Morse code?); special bodyguard for Queen and complete organization for removal of eggs. The lecturer further states that "birth regulation" gives seven different classes of worker and fighter; that the growth of special *fungi*, unknown outside Termites' nests, has been perfected to assure the food supply; and that annual sacrifices of surplus population are practiced.....which sounds much like our periodical pogroms, purges and wars. Some of these statements may seem imaginative, but they fit in remarkably with my recent experiences: I did not refer to the *Morse Code* in my recent diary entry, but it is a fact that when the local "Pied Piper" was at work, he was continually listening, ear flattened against wood, for certain sounds. I do not believe he could read the code (if such a thing exists) but I am convinced he got certain sounds....possibly the hum of beating wings ....which told him where the swarms were. This lecturer also mentioned the borrowing of a Queen from adjacent States (i.e. nests) if one died: but Termites can do better than that: they can create a new Queen by changing the diet of a sexless individual. It all sounds uncanny to me, but I am glad to get outside confirmation of my own observations.

IN PARENTHESIS

Forecast

"A DROP more rain, so moi woireless du sa-ay, Jarge, what moight yours 'ave said?"

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Big Target

"AH!" sighed the golfing 'rabbit," mopping his brow. "What couldn't I do to a bottle of beer!"

"Hit it," muttered his caddie.

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Cheers

"LADIES and gentlemen," said the chairman, "we've had a grand lecture about thrift—verra weel reasoned. Ah'll ask ye noo tae give the speaker twa hearty cheers."

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Most.....

"I HAVE decided," said the impressive lady, "that my daughter shall be taught a foreign language—really well."

"Quite so, French, German, Italian?"

"Possibly, possibly. But, tell me, which do you recommend as the most foreign?"

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Angel Children

"WELL, it's rather hard to explain what love is," said the Genial Aunt to her niece, "but I suppose it was love that made your daddy marry your mummy."

"Oh no, it wasn't," said the angel child, whose father was a whimsical journalist. "He only wanted some silly kids to give silly names to and write about in his personality column."

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Intelligence Test

"WHO would have thought that Rosemary Maitland, the debutante, whose beauty charmed London society, was in reality the daughter of an old Kashmiri boatman, plying his trade on the remote Dahl lake?" —Blurb for a novel.

Don't tell me.
Wait a minute.
No, don't tell me.
I know!
The author!

* * *

He Was the Detonator

Firemen and an A.R.P. squad turned out at a New Southgate factory when—but read on—

A rounded and sinister package—
How came it, and when, and where from?—
Was suddenly found on a factory ground.
Ah ha! It's a bomb!

The experts were taking no chances,
They thought of explosions, and froze:
They gave it one poke, then a jolly good soak
With a high-pressure hose.

Then up came the old British workman
Whose lunch in the package was there:
And, to expert delight, something went off all right—
He went up in the air.

—By F. G. H. Salusbury in the "Daily Herald."

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Horoscope Harry

A FEVERED astrologer says that "many of the events of the year will centre around (1) staff and servants (if you employ such); (2) personal health (if you don't take pains to keep fit); and (3) intellectual or spiritual interests (if you have any)"

But cheer up, Depressed! Even if you have no staff, no servants; even if your health requires no care; even if you have no intellectual or spiritual interests—you need not be lonely and neglected by events of the year.

Ask Horoscope Harry nicely, and it seems sure he will find you a special star which will make them centre round you like anything—may even make you the cause of the next crisis.

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Helpful Hannah

"Low-pitched voices," says a Hollywood authority on Glamour, "are the best for that warmth and resonance which stirs the opposite sex."

Lovely looks do not matter so much.

It is the girl with a face like a biscuit and a low-pitched voice who will win out.

She is a wall-flower at the party—men even recoil from her with muttered imprecations—until one, more kindly than the rest, apologizes for treading on her feet.

And then she seizes her opportunity. She speaks.

In a low-pitched voice, she says, "Oh wah wah hi."

"I beg your pardon?" asks the man.

"Oh wah wah hi"—low-pitched, glamorous, thrilling.

He bends closer. He is fascinated, intoxicated. The blood is pounding in all his pulses. He kneels with an ear to her lips.

"I said," she whispers, "oh, that's all right."

And from that moment he is hers.

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"You Have Been Warned"

IT is comforting to think that grouse are as silly as us. It throws down my theory that there is nothing stupider on earth than the human race, says a British columnist.

Arguing in favour of a Bill to make uncultivated mountain and moorland accessible to the people, C. E. M. Joad writes that the landowners object to the Bill on the ground that walkers do harm to shooting rights and interests.

"In the breeding season," say the landowners, "the walkers disturb the old birds, who either do not lay or do not sit. Grouse subjected to interruption by walkers do not grow plump. They grow suspicious, restless and neurotic and are therefore not such good targets for sportsmen."

It is easy to understand grouse becoming restless and neurotic if their private lives are disturbed by hikers (I would go stark raving mad myself), but they have brought themselves down to our low level of intelligence by being unable to distinguish between friends and enemies.

Although grotesque in appearance and no doubt terrifying to grouse, the hikers they fear wish them no harm. Yet the silly birds grow plump and breed happily in the presence of gamekeepers who wish them nothing but destruction.

There is a big moral lesson in this. Most of us are Little Red Riding Hoods wandering in a wood full of wolves.

Next time you meet an amiable, pleasant-faced man with big honest blue eyes who wants to advise you about investments, don't forget I warned you.

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min.	43.0	Max.	60.0
Same date, 1938	Min.	37.0	Max.	58.5

Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min.	39.2	Max.	64.2
Same date, 1938	Min.	30.2	Max.	61.3

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 15th:—Moderate anticyclone over China. Low pressures over the Kouriles. Variable breezes in China and over the Yellow Sea. Northerly to north-easterly winds over the Eastern Sea and Formosa. Fine to cloudy weather, overcast at places, in China and at sea.

State on the morning of the 16th:—Cloudy and fine weather with light mist. Variable breezes. Pressure rather high and steady.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine and cloudy weather, overcast in places and variable breezes over northern and Central China, over our regions and the Yellow Sea. Overcast to cloudy and moderate northerly to north-easterly winds over the Eastern Sea and Formosa. Local morning fogs along the Coast.—Siccawei Observatory.

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Bohemia and Moravia Will Be Absorbed in Reich

Herr Hitler Proclaims Protectorate; Limited Citizenship Within Empire

Prague, Mar. 16.

AN official decree incorporating Moravia and Bohemia into the Reich was signed in the Hardschin Castle here today by Herr Adolf Hitler. The decree declares that the incorporation was made absolutely necessary because Czechoslovakia had become a hotbed of intrigues threatening European peace and German security.

Herr Hitler appeared on the balcony of the Hradschin Castle at 12.30 p.m. today to greet the huge crowd of Germans which has been waiting patiently to catch a glimpse of him since early this morning. A tremendous roar greeted the Fuehrer's appearance, the Germans frenziedly shouting "Fuehrer, We Thank You" and "Sieg Heil!" In a few words, Herr Hitler thanked the crowd for its demonstration of loyalty.

Announcement that Germany had established her protectorate over Bohemia and Moravia was made in a radio broadcast today by Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister.

"We have been compelled to intervene in order to put an end to the regime of violence, misunderstandings, and arbitrariness which has prevailed in this region, which is a region of vital space for Germany," the Foreign Minister stated. "This district was a permanent threat to peace. The Czechoslovak state was unable to organize a normal life for the people living in it and to maintain peace. Germany could not accept a prolongation of such a situation and decided to intervene and restore order."

Terms of Protectorate

The following are the provisions of the Herr Hitler's decree:

1. Bohemia and Moravia are henceforth incorporated into the German Reich as a protectorate.
2. Germans living in these districts will become German citizens, while the other residents will be citizens of the protectorate.
3. The protectorate is autonomous and will have its own administration in harmony with the political, military, and economic interests of the Reich.
4. The head of the autonomous administration must enjoy the confidence of the Fuehrer.
5. The Fuehrer himself will appoint a protector on behalf of the Reich in Bohemia and Moravia, whose task it will be to see that the political decisions of the Fuehrer are respected. Members of the Protectorate Government can be appointed only following the agreement of the Protector, who can oppose and suspend all measures taken by the Government.
6. Foreign affairs of the Protectorate and the protection of its citizens abroad will be ensured by the Reich.
7. The Reich will grant military protection to the Protectorate, three garrisons and military installations being established there. The Protectorate may have certain domestic organizations to ensure order.
8. The Reich will control the post offices, wireless stations, and communication lines of the Protectorate.
9. The Protectorate will be subjected to the German customs regime.
10. The legal currency in the Protectorate will be the Mark.
11. The Reich can decree judicial orders in the Protectorate and take charge of the administrative departments if necessary to ensure order and security.
12. The present laws of the country will remain in force if they do not conflict with German protection.

Czech Leaders Return

Dr. Emile Hacha, President of the former Czechoslovakian Republic, and Dr. Frantisek Chvalkovsky, Foreign Minister, returned here this evening from Berlin. Arriving by a special train, they were greeted at the station by members of the Czech Cabinet, German generals including General von Gablenz, Military Governor of Prague; the German Charge d'Affaires, Herr Andor Hencke, and the Italian Minister, Signor Fransoni.

Herr Hitler received the representatives of the Prague municipality and the German group in Prague at the Hradschin Palace here this afternoon.

On behalf of the city, M. Klapka, head of the municipal administration, greeted the Fuehrer, while the Second Burgomaster, Professor Pfitzner, did so on behalf of the German residents of Prague "who are today overwhelmed with joy." The Fuehrer replied briefly, promising a long period of peace and cultural progress for Prague and the new Protectorate.

Herr Hitler received the former Czech President, Dr. Emil Hacha at 2.30 p.m. today in the Hradschin Castle. A military detachment rendered honours for Dr. Hacha Prior to the President's meeting with Herr Hitler, the German Foreign Minister, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, handed him the document outlining the new status of Bohemia and Moravia.

General Walther von Brauschitsch, Commander-in-Chief of the Reichswehr, published a proclamation addresed to the Czech people late tonight. He asserted, "In the territories submitted to the protection of German troops, the executive powers have been transferred to me. All public administrations will continue to function."

Herr Henlein Promoted

Herr Konrad Henlein, former leader of the Sudeten German Party, was today appointed new Reich's Commissioner and Gauleiter. (district leader) in the occupied Czech regions. Herr Henlein has held the post of Reich's Commissioner in German Bohemia since the annexation of Sudetenland in October last year. He was installed in his new functions today by special order of the Reich's General Staff.

A special communique signed by General Blascowitz, Head of the General Staff in the newly-occupied districts, asserted, "As Head of the executive power in Bohemia, I have decided that Konrad Henlein be appointed Reich's Commissioner and Gauleiter. The whole administration, including the Prague central administration, will henceforth be under his jurisdiction. The whole public administration, chiefly the police, posts, railways and other public services, will continue to function as in the past. Economic life must be continued without disturbance. All must remain at their posts and continue working."

German Army Thanked

Herr Hitler has sent a message to General von Brauschitsch, Commander-in-Chief of the Reichswehr, and to the entire German Army, expressing his appreciation to the officers and men "for what they accomplished in occupying speedily the main towns in Bohemia and Moravia and plac-

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Memel, Danzig Now Seek Anschluss

Strong Indications Given by Leaders of German Minority

Berlin, Mar. 16.

Memel and Danzig will demand today that they be annexed by the Reich and be granted the protection of Fuehrer Adolf Hitler, persistent rumours claimed here late last night.

The Fuehrer of the German population of Memel was expected to issue a proclamation requesting Memel's annexation. Similar reports were prevalent with regard to the Free City of Danzig.—Havas.

Memel Diet Convoked

Memel, Mar. 16.

The Lithuanian governor of the Memel district has decided to convoke the Diet to meeth on March 25.—Havas.

Memel Leader's Warning

Kaunas, Mar. 15.

A warning regarding German aspirations in Memel was made today by Herr Ernst Neumann, Leader of the Memel Germans.

Herr Neumann convoked the members of the Memel Diet, and told them that, considering the new situation in Central Europe, he felt himself "entitled eventually to take necessary steps for action," without consulting the Diet.

In a speech given at the end of January, Herr Neumann declared that the Memel Germans were organized and strong, and that nothing could keep them from their march to freedom.—Reuter.

Germans Want Anschluss

Memel, Mar. 16.

Events in the south-eastern part of Central Europe which led to the prediction yesterday that the 150,000 German inhabitants of the Memel territory would now likewise proclaim their desire for anschluss with the Greater German Reich within the next few days, found confirmation in a speech delivered here yesterday by the leader of the Memel German Culture Association, Herr Bingau, who declared before a mass meeting of Memel German officials who had been dismissed from their duties by the Lithuanian authorities for their sympathies to the Reich, that "the events of the last 24 hours have proven that the Fuehrer always keeps his word whenever it involves the question of checking oppression and terrorization of the German element abroad."

The speaker accused the Lithuanian Government with having done nothing to recall the illegal measures in dismissing the German officials and then declared that the time for further suppression of Memel Germans is now definitely gone. He warned against independent actions, stating that the leader of the Memel Germans "is the only man entitled to give orders in the Memel district now" and that he would see to it that the unjustly dismissed officials would be restored to their offices in the Memel district in one form or another.—Trans-Ocean.

Germans in Belgium Want Anschluss

Eupen-Malmedy Minority Activity Reported

Berlin, Mar. 16.

The Heimattreue Front (Front of Loyalty to the Fatherland) in Eupen-Malmedy has drawn up its own list of candidates for the forthcoming elections in Belgium, the "Berliner Zeitung" reports today.

In the last Belgian elections, the Heimattreue Front members turned in blank ballots as a protest against the de-nationalization law.

In an election manifesto, the organization states that the essential issue of the elections in this period of great change, when the old world is sinking from sight and a new world being built up, will be a clear and unequivocal avowal before the whole world of the attachment of the German race to their homeland.—Trans-Ocean.

Czech Fight for Own Liberty Goes On

Dr. Benes Denounces "New International Crime"

Chicago, Mar. 16.

Dr. Eduard Benes, President of Czechoslovakia prior to the initial dismemberment of the country last year and who is lecturing in the United States at present, today termed the latest step of Chancellor Adolf Hitler as a "new shocking international crime."

"It is a deed," he said, "through which Europe has been deprived and will be deprived of in the future of peace, order and tranquility. After what has happened in Czechoslovakia people cannot defend themselves and are obliged to give way to brute force.

"But, you Czechs and Slovaks throughout the world who remain free keep in mind that the fight to free the people of Czechoslovakia has not stopped and will not stop until a free central Europe and a freed land for Czechs are resurrected."—United Press.

New Slovakia Asks Fuehrer's Protection

Absorption Within Reich to Be Expected As Result

Berlin, Mar. 16.

The Slovak Government has asked the German Government for protection, and Herr Hitler has agreed to place Slovakia under Germany's protectorate.

The Slovak Premier, Dr. Joseph Tiso, sent a telegram to Herr Hitler drafted in the following terms: "Having great confidence in you, the Fuehrer and Chancellor of the Greater German Reich, the Slovak state places itself under your protection. The Slovak state begs you to ensure this protection. Tiso."

In reply, the Fuehrer said: "I acknowledge the telegram you sent yestrday and by the present one I ensure the protection of the Slovak state. Hitler."

No Surprise in Berlin

The Slovak Government's decision to place itself under Germany's protectorate caused no surprise in political quarters here, where such a demarche seems to have been expected.

The measures which will be taken in this matter have not been drafted definitely as yet, but is probable that German troops will occupy Slovak territory shortly.

Yesterday, the commander of the Hlinka Guards instructed his troops to place themselves at the disposal of the German military chiefs.

Slovakia will probably become a protectorate along the lines of Bohemia and Moravia.—Havas.

German Troops in Slovakia

Bratislava, Mar. 15.

German troops who had been sent in the direction of Ruthenia are reported to have been halted in their march and recalled.

German troops are advancing into Slovakia. It is expected that Slovakia will receive a constitution similar to that of Bohemia and Moravia, which together form a Protectorate of the Reich.

Nazi groups have occupied the whole strip of territory of western Slovakia.

Earlier in the day, the German War Office had asked for authority to occupy the Slovak-Moravian frontier in order to guard the flank of the Army occupying Moravia and had proposed a joint commission to settle the details of occupation.

German troops, however, crossed the frontier without waiting for the decision of this body.—Reuter.

Slovak Minister Forced to Resign

Bratislava, Mar. 15.

M. Karel Sidor, who became Minister of the Interior in Dr. Josef Tiso's Cabinet, has resigned as he is not *persona grata* with Germany.

At the same time, the Hungarian consul has informed Dr. Tiso of Hungary's decision to recognize the new frontier and to establish a Legation in Bratislava.

The Polish consul has also announced Poland's decision to recognize the Slovak frontier.—Reuter.

Polish Congratulations

Warsaw, Mar. 15.

The Polish Government has telegraphed its congratulations to the Slovak Government on "taking the destiny of the nation into its own hands."

It is officially emphasized that Poland has no territorial claims on Ruthenia and that the Polish Government does not contemplate sending any reply to the Note from Mgr. Augustin Volosin, Ruthenian Premier, announcing the independence of Ruthenia.

Hungarian troops advancing across Ruthenia have not yet reached the Polish border, where Polish troops have been concentrated along the Carpathians to greet them.—Reuter

German Storm-Troopers Organ Banned

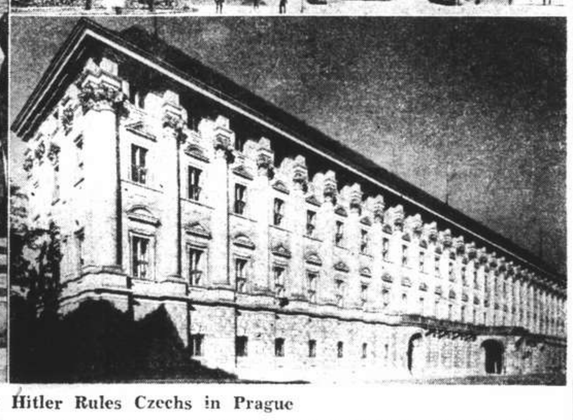
Berlin, Mar. 16.

The "S. A. Mann," organ of the German Storm-Troopers, the last edition of which was confiscated by the police, has been placed under a ban by order of the political police. The reasons for this were not made public.—Havas.

Hungarian "Jewish Bill"

Budapest, Mar. 16.

Parliament today adopted the "Jewish Bill" by a large majority. The bill restricts the number of positions for Jews in Hungary.—Havas.



Herr Hitler Rules Czechs in Prague

The German Fuehrer and Chancellor is shown here with the members of his staff. Top right is shown the Czechoslovakian Parliament building from where, during the grave days in October last year, were drafted the replies of the democratic Czech people to the demands of the German Leader. Below, right, is shown the magnificent Czernin Palace in Prague which was the Czechoslovak Foreign Office and where, in the fateful days of the Republic, the gravest decisions had to be taken. Today Herr Hitler is master of Prague and has made Hradchin Palace, the residence of Presidents Masaryk and Benes, the Nazi Headquarters for the new German Protectorates of Bohemia and Moravia.

Hungarian Troops Reach Polish Border After Taking Ruthenia

Autonomy of Carpathic Ukraine Within Old Frontiers of Hungary Proclaimed

Budapest, Mar. 16.

COMPLETE autonomy for Ruthenia was announced today by Count Stephan Czaky, the Hungarian Foreign Minister, who added that Ruthenia had twice asked Hungary for help, and the immediate occupation of the whole of her territory. Count Czaky declared that the Hungarian forces would now proceed to occupy Ruthenia, and would restore the old frontiers of Hungary on the Carpathians. Count Czaky said that he hoped this occupation would be accomplished without bloodshed.—Reuter.

Warsaw, Mar. 16.

Patrols of Hungarian troops, advancing through Ruthenia, today reached the Polish border, and were greeted there by Polish outposts.

A common frontier, desired by both Poland and Hungary, has thus become an accomplished fact.

The Hungarians declared that they were delayed by having to wade waist-deep through snow in the Carpathians. Larger bodies of Hungarian troops are expected to reach the frontier later today.

The waiting Poles heartily cheered as the Hungarian troops appeared, marching through a blinding snowstorm.—Reuter.

German Aid Denied

Bratislava, Mar. 16.

Reports that the Premier of Ruthenia Mgr. Augustin Volosin, had requested German aid and that German troops had marched into Ruthenia appeared to be unfounded, all sources said today.—United Press.

Rumanian Aid Asked

Bucharest, Mar. 16.

The members of the Carpathic-Ukrainian Government, who fled into Rumania today, have asked the Rumanian Government to annex the whole of Carpathic-Ukraine.

The Ukrainian Ministers, headed by the Premier, Mgr. Augustin Volosin, crossed the frontier at Sighet. As Mgr. Volosin was proceeding to the Archbishopric in Sighet, he was attacked by an Ukrainian non-commissioned officer, who was immediately placed under arrest. The Premier was not injured.

A steadily-increasing number of refugees from Carpathic-Ukraine is seeking entrance into this country at the Sighet frontier post. The authorities are letting them in while 1,000 Czech refugees, mostly women and children, crossed the border between Ukraine and Rumania at Sighet today. They had no luggage at all, and declared that they had been stripped of all their belongings by the Ukrainians.

A Czech regiment crossed the frontier at Tecau and was disarmed.—Havas.

Czech Troops in Poland

Warsaw, Mar. 16.

Hungarian advanced guards reached the Polish frontier at 2 p.m. today.

Several battalions of Czech troops and a large number of Czech civil servants crossed the Polish frontier near Lawoczne last night, in a train. Most of the civilians were civil servants, policemen, and gendarmes. One car was filled with arms and munitions, it was revealed. Later, a second train crossed the border, this one carrying two battalions of Czech troops and thirty civilians.—Havas.

Ukrainian Delegation

Budapest, Mar. 16.

The delegation of three members sent by the Ruthenian Premier, Mgr. Augustin Volosin, of Carpathic-Ukraine to negotiate with the Hungarian Government is expected to arrive here at noon today.

The Hungarian Premier, Count Teleki, announced in Parliament this morning that "the Hungarian Army will occupy the whole of Carpathic-Ukraine."

A pitched battle was being fought near Nagyszollos, in the Carpathic Ukraine, not far from the Roumanian border, between Hungarian troops and Ukrainian "Sitch" or para-military organizations, reliable quarters here announced this evening.

The Hungarian General Staff issued a communique stating that their Army had occupied Salyva, some 20 kilometres north of Munkacs, and that their soldiers were pursuing the advance further into Carpatho Ukrainian territory.

The communique added that Hungarian forces had already occupied 100 villages, in all of which they had been cheered by the people. It was admitted, however, that the advancing troops were encountering great difficulties owing to the snowstorm that impeded their progress. Bad roads and "some local resistance from Ukrainian elements" hindered the Hungarian Army, it was added.

Unofficial but well-informed sources meanwhile reported tonight that the Hungarians were meeting with the stiffest resistance, which had considerably increased during the afternoon.—Havas.

Nazi Press Tries To Justify Coup

Imperialist Action By Britain Cited For Precedents

Berlin, Mar. 16.

Germany is not surprised to learn that the liquidation of Czechoslovakia has given rise to a storm of indignation in the press of the democratic countries, writes the "Voelkischer Beobachter" this morning. The same thing has occurred at every phase of the National Socialist policy. This resounding criticism will be received in Germany with frigid indifference as almost without exception it makes no attempt to grasp the significance of the developments in Central Europe.

The Western countries, adds the National Socialist Party organ, would do well to turn over the pages of their own history where they will find examples not at all unlike the case of Czechoslovakia.

The English fought the Scots, Irish and Welsh for centuries until they got these peoples of alien race merged in union with their kingdom. Only 40 years ago the Boers in South Africa were deprived of their liberty by the British whose only motive was that provided by their policy of colonial imperialism, this German comment declares.

Germany knows very well, concludes the "Voelkischer Beobachter," that the disfavour with which every step towards a consolidation of the Reich is regarded abroad arises out of fear engendered by every increase in power. This fear psychosis would be completely unnecessary if the Democratic Powers followed Italy's example and got on sensible terms with the Reich.—Trans-Ocean.

Mr. Chamberlain Praised

Berlin, Mar. 16.

Press comments here today attempt to justify Herr Hitler's abandoning of the principle of self-determination. Long articles seek to prove that the Czechs have only been prosperous under German influence.

The "Voelkischer Beobachter," leading National Socialist paper, welcomes the fact that "despite pressure by the Opposition, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the British Prime Minister, has not allowed himself to be drawn into aimless demonstrations."

The morning papers are full of entnusiastically worded reports on the Fuehrer's arrival in Prague, while the occupation of Czechoslovakia by the German army is illustrated by photographs of the huge Skoda armament works, captioned "Under protection of German arms."—Reuter

Herr Hitler Will Turn German Guns Westward, Says U.S. Observer

Noted American Correspondent Discerns Axis Powers Ready to Move; Russia Not Objective

Greenwich, Conn., Mar. 16.

Nazi Germany's next move will be toward the west instead of the east and neither Germany nor Japan have any intention of attacking Soviet Russia, the "Greenwich Time" reported in a copyright article from Europe today.

The paper, which has scored a number of journalistic "beats" on European news events in recent months, said the Totalitarian Powers are aiming their campaign solely against the Democratic states and hope to obtain raw materials and munitions from the Soviet Union for the probable war between the Totalitarian and Democratic states.

"The present 'redistribution' of interests in the Far East," the paper reported, "concerns largely the wealth of England, France and the United States and the possibility of securing raw materials and armaments from Russia in the coming war.

"The new Totalitarian programme, after the redistribution of wealth in the Far East, calls for Japan to start pressure against the United States, Britain and France by threatening Indo-China, the first step being Japan's occupation of Hainan Island."

The paper said Germany will threaten British communications off the coast of Africa while Italy works inside the Mediterranean. Later Portugal will be forced to permit the establishment of German and Italian submarine and air bases along her west coast, the report said.

The Ludendorff Plan of 1927 will be revised to attack France from the south, coincident with terrorization of the population of France and Britain by devastating air raids, the paper predicted. The German Army will not risk a frontal attack on France's, powerful Maginot Line the paper predicted.

The "Greenwich Time" is edited by Mr. Wythe Williams, former European correspondent for several large American and British newspapers.—United Press.

Gestapo Starts Work In Bohemia

Prague, Mar. 16.

The dreaded Gestapo, Germany's much-feared secret police, has extended its tentacles to Bohemia.

"We have ten thousand arrests to effect," the Gestapo chief announced here today, this statement coinciding with the report that many people in Prague failed to return to their homes and were reported missing by their relatives.

Journalists were the first victims of the Gestapo, who seized, among others, M. Hajek, Chief of the Press Information Service under the Benes régime and a Czech correspondent for Reuters agency. No information can be obtained regarding his fate.

Foreign correspondents have received instructions to obtain their news from the offices of the Reich Commissioner, which have just been opened. On several occasions, foreign journalists had their communications with outside countries cut by the Gestapo. Journalists were told to be more cautious.—Havas.

Britain Can and Will Hit Back

Lord Chatfield Tells Commons Defences Fully Effective

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 15.

"Mr. Chamberlain's recent declaration of our policy of defence does not mean that we do not intend to have both the will and the means to strike back if we were attacked," said Admiral of the Fleet Lord Chatfield, Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, during the debate on national defence in the House of Commons today.

"There was a time," he continued, "when the problem of dealing with a bomber was regarded with something like despair. Such a feeling is no longer justified, if it ever was.

"Developments of recent years have undoubtedly reduced the old supremacy of the offensive over the defensive in air warfare."

Counter-Offensive Force

Lord Chatfield assured the House that none of the components of air defence was being neglected. The strength of the fighting force, he said, was being greatly augmented, and the counter-offensive force had also been subjected to an equally careful scrutiny, and measures to strengthen it were also actively in hand.

"The Government," Lord Chatfield went on, "is determined to build up counter-offensive forces to such strength that they may, in conjunction with our fighter aircraft and batteries, deter an aggressor from attacking us at all, or, if they should unhappily fail to do this, give us all necessary means for both attack as well as defence.

"I am convinced, that just as we have been able over many centuries to rely confidently on our sailors to seek out and destroy the fleet of the enemy, so we will be able in the future, with our airmen supported on land by our soldiers, to defend similarly these Islands from air fleets of an aggressor."—Reuter.

Pedestrians Searched In Tientsin

Japanese Seek Control Of "Old Money"

Tientsin, Mar. 16.

Japanese troops are searching Chinese and foreigners for "old" money at the entrance to the ex-German Concession, but at no other points in Tientsin. No incidents involving foreigners have hitherto been reported, but Chinese are being deprived of "old" notes found on them, and then released.

They are not being punished for being found in possession of "old" notes, despite the publication of drastic measures, including fines and the confiscation of property.

Banks and exchange shops in the native city have been searched for "old" notes, but so far the only measures taken appear to have been the confiscation of these notes.—Reuter.

British Attitude to Events In Czechoslovakia Stated

Mr. Chamberlain Deplores German Breach Of Munich Accord; Guarantee Cancelled

London, Mar. 15.

CROWDED and expectant, the House of Commons listened this afternoon to the statement made by the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, on events in Central Europe. The Prime Minister entered the House to make his statement just before the end of question time, amidst ministerial cheers and derisive cries from the Opposition. The Government, he said, having failed in its recent endeavour to achieve a guarantee agreement with other Governments represented in the Munich conference, now regarded its guarantee obligations as no longer binding.

After a recital of facts known to him, Mr. Chamberlain announced that the guarantee to Czechoslovakia given last October had lapsed through the disintegration of that country; the Bank of England had been instructed to suspend any further payments under the credit of £10,000,000 advanced to the Czechoslovak Government; and that the visit of Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, and Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary of Overseas Trade, to Berlin would not take place.

Mr. Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary, who spoke after the Labour and Liberal Opposition leaders, was cheered when he rose and said that there could be no doubt of the character of the German action.

So far as he was aware, he said, there was not a shred of evidence of ill-treatment to the remaining German minority in Czechoslovakia and no representations had been made to the Czech Government—or to the French and British Governments, such as should have been made under the Munich agreement if the matter was serious and urgent.

It was difficult, Mr. Eden declared, to escape the conclusion that these grievances were largely imaginary. Even if they were real, he went on, they could not justify the action taken.

Mr. Eden's Warning

Mr. Eden asked: "Is there any member in the House now who believes that, after these events, we should have more than another brief respite, perhaps more brief than the last, before further demands are made, another victim arraigned and a victim found again with the alternative of resistance or surrender?

"We are confronted with a situation in which there is a rapid deterioration of international standards.

"I am convinced," he warned, "that if these present methods are allowed to continue unchecked, we are heading straight for universal tragedy, which is going to involve us all."

Mr. Eden then paid tribute to the courage, dignity and restraint of the Czech people in meeting their new trial.

He concluded his speech with a fervid appeal for the co-operation of parties in convincing the world of the strength and unity of the nation, and of its determination to make effort without parallel in its history. Such a Government of all parties, he said, would have to examine the new military and strategic position, and to consult with all like-minded nations, wherever they be and whatever they be, on what their common policy should be—where they should make their stand and how they should give effect to their decision.

Time for Great Decisions

Having determined what to do, he continued, military steps should be taken to give effect to the decision.

Speaking with great emphasis, Mr. Eden said:

"There are times when a great nation has to take grave decisions. I believe such a time to be now, and I further believe that only thus shall we banish from our people the haunting fear that shadows our own time."

Mr. Grenfell, Sir Archibald Sinclair and Mr. Eden urged upon the Government the necessity of rapid action to safeguard the position of refugees in Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Eden elicited from the Prime Minister the intimation that there was no intention to cancel Mr. R. S. Hudson's visits to Warsaw, Moscow and Helsinki. The announcement was received with cheers.

Premier's Statement

Mr. Chamberlain, after making his three announcements, began to consider the policy of the Munich settlement.

He said that, having regard to the alternatives open to it at that time, he had no doubt that the course the British Government took was right and he believed it had received the approval of a vast majority of world opinion.

That settlement, however, he continued, had not proved final. Czechoslovakia, to which they had hoped to give a more stable future, had disintegrated. That might or might not have been inevitable.

The Prime Minister said that he did not believe that anything of the kind now done by Germany was contemplated by any Munich signatory. The Munich agreement constituted a settlement and he could not regard the manner and method whereby these changes had been brought about as in accordance with the Munich agreement.

Germans Now Dominate Aliens

Now, for the first time, he said, Germany was in military occupation of a people with whom she had no social connections. These events, he declared, could not fail to cause disturbance to the international situation and administer a shock to the confidence, which he had said, was beginning to revive.

The Prime Minister continued:

"I have so often heard charges of breach of faith bandied about which

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Latest Exchange

The closing Interbank selling rates yesterday were as follows:

Sterling 8⅛d. U.S.$ 16⅞c.

LONDON METALS AND N.Y. CROSS RATE

London, Mar. 16.

Silver prices in London today remained unchanged again from the previous day's levels.

	Mar. 15	Mar. 16
London spot	20⅞d.	20⅞d.
" forward	20⅛d.	20⅛d.
" gold	148/5½d.	148/6d.
London/New York:		
One pound U.S.	$4.6865	$4.6840
One U.S. dollar	51.210d.	51.238d.

—Reuter.

Hitler Threatened To Bomb Prague

British Press States Czech President Had To Face Ultimatum

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Mar. 16.

Events in Czechoslovakia were the main preoccupation of the Cabinet meeting yesterday morning. The Ministers, it is understood, took a very grave view of the situation and consequently will press on the rearmament programme to the utmost. While Great Britain's policy will continue to be directed towards a peaceful settlement of disputes, there seems to be little doubt that the ministers henceforth will base their policy on risks of further acts by Germany outside the boundaries of her own nationals.

A very sinister touch is given in this morning's papers to accounts of the Czech President's fateful interview with Herr Hitler. A number of diplomatic correspondents, including that of "The Times," refer to reports reaching London that Herr Hitler had threatened to bomb Prague from the air immediately unless the German demands were accepted.

M.P.'s Shocked

Developments shocked members of all Parties, but the view is widely held that in the present situation, no effective action could be taken by Great Britain.

The suggestion made by Mr. Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary, for an all-Party Government met little support.

The partition of Czechoslovakia has come quicker than was expected, writes a diplomatic observer, but the efficiency and rapidity with which Herr Hitler seized Moravia and Bohemia came as no surprise. The German formula, he says, has been identical in each of her three foreign successes in the last twelve months: first, the ground is thoroughly prepared, then, when all arrangements are complete, the mine is sprung and German troops have merely to take possession of the territory gained by diplomacy.

This time, however, the soldiers were not received with flowers and cheers, but with cat-calls and hisses.

German Digestion Good

It is thought in some quarters that two Czech provinces may prove rather a tough meal, but it must be remembered that German digestion has shown itself as remarkably sound.

It is not known whether Germany fully approves of Hungary's seizure of Ruthenia, but perhaps the Reich does not attach great importance to it as Hungary herself could not offer much resistance to Germany's pressure to the east.

Poland and Italy profess satisfaction with Hungary's action, but it is gathered that the Poles are deeply perturbed over the position of Slovakia.

The general view is that Germany will be too absorbed in her recent acquisitions to promise Signor Mussolini 100 per cent. support for Italian claims. However, it would be unwise to found strong hopes on such slight foundation.—Reuter.

British Press Angered

London, Mar. 16.

The "Daily Telegraph," invariably a supporter of the Government, today bitterly attacked Germany and even criticized Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister.

"A monstrous outrage," the "Daily Telegraph" said, "is the mildest term applicable to the events in central Europe which sent a thrill of horror and indignation throughout the civilized world. Germany has besmirched her name with infamy which will live as long as the Nazi regime lasts. Nothing that could help demonstrate their contempt for the most elementary decencies of human diplomatic intercourse was omitted."

The diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Herald" revealed that Dr. Emil Hacha, President of Czechoslovakia, was forced to surrender to Germany under the threat of immediate air bombardment of Prague.

During the conference held at Berlin on Wednesday, Chancellor Adolf Hitler, the "Daily Herald" said, "highly emotionally" told Dr. Hacha peremptorily to telephone his Government that the Fuehrer's decision was no longer to tolerate the separate existence of the Czech state and that it was his decision to march on Prague. The Fuehrer also told Dr Hacha, the "Daily Herald" revealed, that if he refused to instruct the Czech Government not to resist the march "an order would be given immediately for the destruction of Prague by the German air fleet."—United Press.

British Demarche

London, Mar. 16.

Dr. Herbert von Diercksen, the German Ambassador in London, called on Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, at 6 p.m. yesterday and handed him the full text of the accord signed by Herr Hitler and Dr. Emil Hacha, President of Czechoslovakia, regarding the fate of that country. The Ambassador also explained to Lord Halifax the reasons which motivated the German action in Slovakia.

Sir Nevile Henderson, the British Ambassador to Germany, had previously asked for information from the Wilhelmstrasse, expressing his regret at having to note that Germany failed to respect the Munich agreement.

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Police Surround Central Hotels

Search Made for Armed Terrorists; Raids Give Few Results

Two raids were made last night by the Louza police in two big hotels in their district in cooperation with the Reserve Unit and some officers from other stations numbering in all about 150 men. Two arrests were made in the Central Hotel, Canton Road, which was first raided. The men arrested were alleged to have violated anti-narcotic regulations.

A representative of the "North-China Daily News" who was present throughout the whole affair saw the Louza Police Station going out from their station in five trucks preceded by two riot vans and followed by several police vans.

Most of the officers wore bullet-proof jackets and were fully prepared for action, carrying guns in their hands. Importance was attached to the thoroughness with which the raids were carried out, for with lightning speed and alertness on the part of all officers no criminal could be expected to escape from the strong cordon thrown around the popular Chinese hostelries.

Under the personal direction of Chief Inspector A. H. Chamberlain and Inspector G. J. Bennett the raiding party arrived at the Central Hotel at 9 p.m. Most conspicuous in the party were the six sturdy women detectives who participated in the room-to-room search.

No Entry Allowed

After throwing a cordon around the hotel by members of the Reserve Unit, members of the raiding party including the women searchers, dashed into the hotel and began their search. Persons leaving the hotel were searched but no entry was allowed during the raid which lasted about half an hour.

After this raid, the raiding party arrived at the Sheng Chow Hotel, which is located at the intersection of Chekiang and Foochow Roads. A similar raid was carried out in the five-storey building but no arrests were made. The whole procedure was finished at about 10 p.m.

Many criminals have been arrested in the past in the two raided hotels, especially the first one where last year the late Chief Chinese Detective attached to the Settlement police, (the late Mr. Loh Lien-kwei), lost his life. He was riddled with bullets by assassins while he was leaving the hotel, of which he was a shareholder. The assassins are still at large.

Hongkong University Extension

Chinese Welcome Move To Receive Students

Chungking, Mar. 16.

Mr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of Education, heartily welcomes the announcement of the appointment by Sir George Northcote, Governor of Hongkong, in his capacity as Chancellor of the University of Hongkong, of a committee to make recommendations for developments in the Hongkong University along lines calculated to further relations, and particularly cultural education, between China and the Colony.

Mr. Chen Li-fu, when interviewed, stated that the University of Hongkong, with many years distinguished standing, had contributed much toward the education of numerous outstanding personalities. It had swelled the furtherance of cultural co-operation and friendly relations between the Chinese and the British peoples, he added.

"During the war of resistance," Mr. Chen Li-fu continued, "while the position of Hongkong became increasingly important, the number of students in the University of Hongkong also increased.

"Since the commencement of the hostilities, the British Government and people have been rendering to us an immense amount of assistance, both spiritual and material.

"This committee which is being formed in Hongkong, will not only serve as a foundation for the development of the University itself, but will contribute abundantly toward friendship between two nations of the East and the West," he added.—Reuter.

B.W.A. Grand Concert

An exceptionally pleasing musicale was held by the British Women's Association yesterday evening at the Club's headquarters, and, as if anticipating something unusually attractive, members and guests filled the large room to overflowing, the arrangements hardly sufficing to accommodate the large number.

The programme opened with a violin and piano rendition of Handel's ever-popular Sonata in D Major with Mrs. E. Badeley accompanied by Mrs. F. W. Clifton, the Adagio and Allegro movements being well received.

There followed a series of songs by Mrs. Ruth Fullam who first sang pieces by Jules Massenet and Claude Debussy in French and then continued with Maurice Besley's "Listening" and "The Little Bells of Sevilla" by Homer Samuels. When an encore was demanded, she responded delightfully with "Bird Songs at Eventide" which suited her voice admirably and was perhaps the most appreciated number on her programme.

Mrs. C. F. King then recited "Sherwood" by Alfred Noyes, her rather original inflections and appropriate tone control making the recitation very effective.

Violin solos by Mrs. Badeley continued the programme, "La Joie Melee aux Lames" by Tirendelli preceding the better known Tambourin, which was smoothly played.

Especially popular were the songs which Miss Mary Stewart sang delightfully, all being of a fairly light variety. Her songs were enjoyed so much that it was only after prolonged applause that the audience let her go.

The programme was closed by pianoforte solos by Mrs. F. W. Clifton, the first being Chopin's Polonaise A Major followed by E. Schutt's Etude Mignonne, the two numbers being greatly appreciated.

Mr. John Coneys of Rochdale lay seriously ill in the Rochdale infirmary forty-two years ago. He was then 16. He underwent four operations on his neck, and when recovering made a resolution to do all that he could to help the institution. He kept that resolution, and has now been elected as President of the Infirmary.

Chinese Want National Flags in Shanghai

Chinese public bodies in Shanghai were reported last night by Chinese evening papers here to have jointly sent a petition to Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Foreign Affairs in Chungking, asking him to make representations to the Powers concerned against the permission allowing Japanese military to make arrests in the Settlement and also against the taking down of Chinese national flags in the French Concession last Sunday when the Chinese here commemorated the 14th anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen. Dr. Wang was asked to order Chinese Ambassadors in foreign countries concerned to make protests. The news appeared in all Chinese language evening papers in Shanghai, but no names of Chinese public bodies were published.

British Attitude to Events In Czechoslovakia Stated

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did not seem to me be founded on sufficient premises and I do not wish to associate myself today with any charges of that character. I am bound to say, however, I cannot believe anything of the kind that is now taking place, was contemplated by any of signatories of Munich agreement.

"The Munich agreement constituted a settlement, accepted by four Powers and Czechoslovakia, of the Czechoslovakian question. It provided for the fixation of the future frontiers of Czechoslovakia and laid down the limits of German occupation, which the German Government had accepted.

German Methods Deprecated

"They have now, without, so far as I know, any communication with the other three signatories of the Munich agreement, sent their troops beyond the frontier then laid down. Even though it may now be claimed that what has taken place has occurred with the acquiescence of the Czechoslovak Government, I cannot regard the manner and methods by which these changes have been brought about as at accord with the spirit of the Munich agreement.

"There is a further point I cannot omit to mention. Hitherto, the German Government, in extending the area its military control, has defended its action by the contention that it was only incorporating in the Reich, neighbouring masses of people of the German race. Now, for the first time, they are effecting the military occupation of a territory inhabited by people with whom they have no racial connection."

Peace Effort to Go On

In conclusion, the Prime Minister recalled his appeal at Birmingham at the end of January for a contribution by others to search for peace, which was the aim of his Government, and said it was natural, therefore, that he should bitterly regret what had now occurred. "But," said Mr. Chamberlain, "do not let us, on that account, be deflected from our course. Let us remember that the desire of all peoples of the world still remains concentrated on hopes of peace and of the return to an atmosphere of understanding and goodwill, which has so often been disturbed.

"The aim of this Government is now, as it always has been, to promote that desire and to substitute the method of discussion for the method of force in the settlement of differences.

"Though we may have to suffer checks and disappointments from time to time, the object we have in mind is of too great a significance to the happiness of mankind for us lightly to give it up or set it on one side."

Labour Opposition View

Following Mr. Chamberlain's statement, the debate was opened by Mr. D. R. Grenfell, Labour member for the Gower division of Glamorgan, who declared that it was a day of humiliation and shame for Great Britain.

"We have allowed the truth to be set aside," he said, "and allowed violence to take the place of reason and justice, and violence has triumphed."

He thought the problems of Middle Europe, with its mixed nationalities, would have to be far more carefully studied and fully understood than was apparent from anything that the Prime Minister had said. He commented with amazement on what he called "the sense of splendid isolation and detachment" of Mr. Chamberlain's statement on a situation charged with emotion.

"Pride," he said, "has been humbled and a nation's trust and independence violated."

The Prime Minister, in his simplicity, said Mr. Grenfell, believed that the undertakings in Munich were given in good faith. Mr. Chamberlain had said so.

Munich Accord in Vain

He concluded: "Czechoslovakia has now been occupied in the same manner as it would have been occupied had there been no Munich conference."

This incident, he held, was simply one of a sequence of crisis to which Europe had been treated, and which would be repeated on suitable occasions for some time to come because the British Government had not been seized with the real significance of the events of the last few years in Europe.

He agreed that little could have been done since Munich, but charged the Government with failure to cope with the situation before Munich.

The ministers, he said, had stated last October that under the Munich agreement, Czechoslovakia would enjoy greater security than before and asserted that the Prime Ministers' credulity passed all understanding. The fact was, he continued, that they were now entering upon a period fraught with immediate and terrible dangers to all. There was no security left in Europe.

Smaller nations, said Mr. Grenfell, were in a state of apprehension and fear, and even large nations were not free from it. He asked the Government to seek, before it was too late to assemble for co-operative effort, the peace-loving forces of Europe and the world.

Sir Archibald Sinclair, Liberal Opposition Leader, thought the methods of crypto-aggression employed by Herr Hitler's Government in Czechoslovakia would almost certainly be used again elsewhere, and he, too, appealed to Mr. Chamberlain, to gather like-minded nations, under British leadership, in the defence of the principles of law in international relations.—Reuter.

Japanese Soldiers Bombed

Japanese Aircraft Busy In West China; Raid on Sian Causes Big Damage

Chungking, Mar. 16.

Chinese aircraft on March 13 bombed Japanese troop concentrations and munition dumps, at Yungchi, in south Shansi, according to Chinese reports. Four Chinese bombers bombed Japanese troops and naval concentrations in the vicinity of Kukou, in North Kiangsi, on the afternoon of March 14, the report adds.

Japanese aircraft yesterday heavily bombed Sian, in Shensi province, Pingliang in Kansu province, and also Pingkiang in Hunan province, the report states.

Under cover of aerial and naval bombardment, Japanese troops from three warships, in four motor launches, effected a landing on the eastern shore of Poyang Lake, in Kiangsi province, north of Tuchang City on March 14, according to a Chinese report.

Japanese troops in two columns then pushed southward, in the direction of Tuchang, their vanguards reaching a point a few miles from the city, the report adds.

It is believed, the report continues, that the Japanese are making an attempt to capture Nanchang, capital of Kiangsi province.—Reuter.

Sian Bombed

Hankow, Mar. 16.

Sian, capital of Shensi province and pivotal point in the Sino-Soviet "Red Route," was subjected to two air raids in rapid succession by five Japanese army squadrons at about noon yesterday, the Japanese Expeditionary Force to Central China announced here today.

"Annihilating damage" was inflicted upon the aerodrome and various military establishments in Sian by the discharge of bombs of huge dimensions, not used up to now, according to the communiqué.

All Japanese machines returned to their respective bases safely, not having encountered any Chinese aerial resistance.

Five other Japanese army air squadrons, yesterday morning raided the Pingliang aerodrome in eastern Kansu, 250 kilometres north-west of Sian. Here again, according to the announcement, Chinese aeroplanes did not rise to give combat to the Japanese attackers.

At Sian, pilots reported, particularly heavy damage was inflicted upon the Lunghai Railway station and tracks, while two hangars on the airfield were totally demolished.—Domei.

Hitler Threatened to Bomb Prague

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The British Government have made no official protest which, diplomatic quarters state, would be purely academical.

Well-informed circles declare that it is obvious that the Reich attempted to justify its action in Czechoslovakia by stressing that German intervention was due to the state of disorder reigning in that country, particularly in Bohemia and Moravia, following the Slovak proclamation of independence. Herr Hitler's good faith was in no way decreased, since the Czech Government itself admitted the necessity of German intervention.

Political quarters consider that the German explanations are not of a convincing nature, and declare themselves worried by what may happen in future, fearing new German initiatives and the resumption of Italy's campaign against France.—Havas.

OBITUARY

W. J. Drummond

The sudden passing of W. J. Drummond on Wednesday came as a terrible shock to all sporting people in Shanghai. 'Steve' as he was affectionately known to his friends was one of Shanghai's racing stalwarts having been a member since 1911. For the past four years he has rendered invaluable service as honorary handicapper to the club and during the whole of this period Shanghai has been treated to spectacular and close finishes in races, for the past year he has been a steward of the club, a post he relinquished only recently due to ill health.

William John Drummond came to China from Japan and joined the Standard Oil Co. of New York in December 1910 and was associated with this company until his retirement in October 1931 since which date he has devoted practically all his time to racing and the interests of the Shanghai Race Club and the International Race Club.

'Steve' was aged sixty-one at the time of his death and his years were well packed with a wealth of stories. As a raconteur he had no peer. He was also blessed with a magnificent memory particularly for dates. One of his best efforts when question as to the date a person was born, a typical answer was "oh yes, it was a Thursday, a very filthy day I have particular occasion to remember, as it was the day before." He was frequently checked up on and never found wrong.

He has also been a famous regular on the course in the early mornings and his knowledge of past performances and galloping times was truly astounding. His successes on the turf were not large as he spent more time in organising the game than in participating, although his 'Royal Scot' had a good win in the mafoo's champions in December 1937.

Racing however did not prevent his taking a keen interest in greyhound racing after his retirement, a sport in which he met with considerable success as an owner of numerous winners.

A true sportsman of the old school whose passing Shanghai will mourn very much indeed.

He is survived by his wife and three brothers:—J.E., J.E., and D.E.M. Drummond to whom all sympathy is extended in their bereavement.

Crashed Eurasia Plane Discovered

Chungking, Mar. 15.

The Eurasia 'plane, missing following an accident on the afternoon of March 12, was located at Weining, in West Kweichow, it is now learned. There were no foreign passengers on the 'plane. The pilot, it is stated, was found injured, and is at present in hospital.

The machine is the "Chiao-tung Number One," which recently made a survey flight from Chungking to Hami. Due to engine trouble, the 'plane was flying to Kunming for repairs when the accident occurred.

The passengers were: Mr. Yang Wen-ming and Mr. Wang Feng-chang, both of whom boarded the 'plane at Chengtu, and both of whom are members of the staff of the Bank of China; and Mr. Tso Shao-sien and Mr. Hsu Kwan-tseh. It has not been established which of the passengers are missing, and which are injured.—Reuter.

Bohemia and Moravia Will Be Absorbed In Reich

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ing this ancient German territory once again under German sovereignty."

The first German military plane to fly over Prague since 1918 appeared over the city at 7.30 a.m. today. Bad weather prevented air force units from taking part in the occupation of Bohemia and Moravia yesterday. The original plan for the occupation of Prague provided for eight battalions of parachutists being dropped on the city from planes.

Dr. Wilhelm Frick, the German Home Minister, arrived here today, convoked by Herr Hitler to examine judicial questions regarding Bohemia and Moravia.

The first anti-Jewish measure was announced here today in the form of a notice issued by the Bar in Prague ordering all non-Aryan members to suspend their activities immediatey.

Troops Patrol Prague

German mechanized troops marched through the streets of Prague for two hours this afternoon, frequently booed by the Czech population of the city.

German armoured cars patrolled the town, machine-guns mounted and with Czech soldier sitting beside the drivers to guide them. As the German soldiers marched through the streets today, police maintained a strict watch and no incidents whatever marred the peace and order of the city.

Many Czechs wore badges of their national colours, but otherwise showed a dignified and disciplined bearing. Many wept in the streets while women expressed their indignation and sorrow over what had so suddenly occurred.

Assisting the armoured cars in their vigil were Czech police, including mounted details, and German Storm Troopers.

The German Military Staff settled themselves in the Hotel Ambassador on St. Wenceslas Square.

A curious atmosphere prevailed in Prague today as pedestrians walked swiftly and looked to neither side, wishing to avoid looking at the German soldiers who strolled in little groups.

Police cordons guarded the Hotel Ambassador and prevented people from approaching it too close.

Occupation Nearly Complete

Reports from the provinces revealed this evening that most towns and many villages had already been occupied by the Reich's Army.

In Brno, German soldiers and members of the German Voluntary Corps of Czechoslovakia thronged the railway station. The Swastika flag was hoisted over all public buildings and many private residences.

Owing to the snowstorm in the region, most trains were late. Passengers in these trains spoke in low tones, voicing bewilderment over the "unprecedented catastrophe" that had befallen their land.

The German Labour Front published an appeal today requesting all German residents of Prague to place themselves at the disposal of the Reich's Army.—Havas.

Czech Fascist Promoted

Prague, Mar. 16.

The Czech Cabinet has resigned. General Gajda, Czech Fascist Leader who has been appointed "Fuehrer of the Czechs," today issued a proclamation establishing a Labour Commission composed of representatives of all classes.

Inhabitants who remained indoors last night communicated with one another only by telephone, and cautiously—because the lines were tapped.—Reuter.

Official German Comment

Berlin, Mar. 15.

The first official German comment on today's events appears in the "Diplomatische Korrespondenz", which states:

"History confers on the Czech people no claim whatever to independence. Czech political leadership itself has now reached the conclusion that the experiment of sole Czech responsibility for Bohemia and Moravia has been a failure."

It is understood that Herr Hitler will leave Prague today to follow the German troops as they march further eastwards through Czechoslovakia.

It is now denied in official circles that German troops either entered Slovakia or occupied Bratislava, its capital.

It is understood that Herr Hitler has not answered the appeal of the Premier of Ruthenia, Father Volosin, being quite willing to let the future of Ruthenia be settled without his interference.

Anti-Jewish measures have already started in Prague.—Reuter.

It was a red-letter day for the 116 midgets working in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "The Wizard of Oz," when Norma Shearer visited the Munchkinland set. She watched them in their song and dance numbers, inspected the tiny houses comprising the colourful set, and signed autographs for practically every diminutive player present.

British Property Bombed

Missionary Reported Dead In Japanese Raid

A British missionary and 40 Chinese students studying in his school, called the Pei Yuan School, were killed on Wednesday shortly before noon in Pingkiang, north-east of Changsha when 18 Japanese 'planes raided the district, according to a Chinese telegram from Changsha yesterday.

The telegram, which appeared in the evening edition of the "Sin Wan Pao," stated that more than 100 bombs were dropped. One British missionery hospital and the above mentioned school were bombed, but the extent of damage was not described.

The Chinese name of the British missionary, said to be a Londer was said in Chinese to be Li Hsieh-pong. No confirmation could be obtained last night from missionary circles.

Both the damaged British hospital and school were covered with big British flags which can not be mistaken by 'planes flying even at an altitude of 3,000 kilometres, the report stated.

Germany Wins Huge Czech Gold Hoard

£60,000,000 Worth of Assets Available

London, Mar. 16.

Germany, through the incorporation of Czechoslovakia, will "achieve the control over some £60,000,000 worth of gold and foreign exchange and realizable foreign assets," the "Financial News" said today.

"She also will secure a large amount of Czech war material and the command over the armament and industrial capacity," the financial journal asserted.—United Press.

Wall Street Eestimate

New York, Mar. 16.

Wall Street estimated today that the Nazi march into Prague brought a gold and currency hoard of more than US$100,000,000 within the grasp of Chancellor Adolf Hitler.

The Central Bank of Czechoslovakia reported its gold holdings on March 7 at around US$81,000,000. In addition, about US$11,000,000 in gold is held in a special fund against gold liabilities.—United Press.

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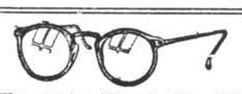
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THE CINEMA

"Boys Town"

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Joe Marsh	Edward Norris
The Judge	Addison Richards
The Bishop	Minor Watson
John Hargraves	Jonathan Hale
Fee Wee	Bobs Watson
Skinny	Martin Spellman
Tommy Anderson	Mickey Rentschler
Freddie Fuller	Frankie Thomas
Paul Ferguson	Jimmy Butler
Mo Kahn	Sidney Miller
Burton	Robert Emmett Keane
The Sheriff	Victor Killian

There have been so many pictures in recent years dealing with reform schools and their respective evils, that many Shanghai cinema enthusiasts may feel inclined to omit a visit to the Nanking Theatre during the run of its present attraction, "Boys Town," which opened yesterday. Should they do this, they will have made a mistake which they are likely to regret, for, this production, in which Mr. Spencer Tracy takes the leading "grown-up" part, whilst almost all the other actors are boys, is definitely one of the very best ever to have been produced. The script is not altogether fictitious, for, a school, such as depicted in the picture, has been doing wonderful work in Nebraska for many years and, whilst but a very few will ever have the possibility to see the real school, "Boys Town" presumably is a page out of the everyday life in that school—so touching that many a parent will have recourse, as was the case during yesterday's shows, to his or her handkerchief on more than one occasion. The acting was outstanding. Mickey Rooney, the most popular juvenile actor on the silver screen, takes the part of the "tough" boy, and there is no doubt that he has never done better.

The main feature is preceded by a newsreel, in which Paris hat creations are shown, which for the sake of the scarcity of Shanghai males, it is hoped, will not be copied by the fair sex here. Taken as a whole, "Boys Town" is a "must" picture, if there ever was one.—A.S.L.

'Charlie Chan in Honolulu"

Charlie Chan	Sidney Toler
Judy Hayes	Phyllis Brooks
James Chan	Sen Yung
Al Hogan	Eddie Collins
Randolph	John King
Mrs. Carol Wayne	Claire Dodd
Dr. Cardigan	George Zucco
Captain Johnson	Robert Barrat
Johnny McCoy	Marc Lawrence
Joe Arnold	Richard Lane
Tommy Chan	Layne Tom, Jr.
Wing Foo	Philip Ahn
Inspector Rawlins	Paul Harvey

Followers of the Charlie Chan series of films are now confronted with the problem of deciding whether the late Mr. Warner Oland or his successor, Mr. Sidney Toler, fill the role the better. For the next several days, they will have the opportunity of seeing at the Grand Theatre the new Charlie Chan in "Charlie Chan in Honolulu." The reviewer, being slightly prejudiced, as he was an ardent admirer of Mr. Oland, merely will go on record by saying that Mr. Oland's philosophies were more sage, while in yesterday's production Mr. Toler orientalized western modern slang. The average cinema-goer probably will agree that Mr. Toler's make-up was as good as the former's, but the selection is left to each individual. As for the picture itself—the producers were unkind in not giving a single clue as to the murderer, but cast shadows an almost everyone else on board the vessel, where the crimes were committed. The action is fairly rapid and thrills and comedy offset each other. As for the acting—one has a pleasure in noting that the Misses Phyllis Brooks and Claire Dodd are developing rapidly, but for sheer histrionic honours, Mr. George Zucco stands far above the others in the cast.

A beautiful technicolour two-reel short portrays winter and summer sports costumes, modelled by some of America's most distinguished mannequins. This should not be missed.—F.L.T.

Chinese War Loan Proposed

Conditions Suggested by Chungking Unknown

Chungking, Mar. 16.

The Chinese Central Government has decided to issue a loan of 1,200,000,000 dollars and open the subscription list thereto on April 1. It is expected that by that time the Supreme Defence Council will have sanctioned the loan.

This issue is to consist of two parts each of 600,000,000 dollars. The first part will be called "reconstruction loan" and the second part "military loan." Both sections of the loan, it is stated, will have the purpose of enabling the Chinese Government to continue its resistance to Japan.

Although the individual conditions on which this loan will be issued have not yet been made known, it is stated in authoritative quarters that the price of issue will be par.

The loan will be repayable in 30 years and bears an interest but the rate has not yet been divulged. In finance circles here the prospects of the loan are regarded optmistically.—Trans-Ocean.

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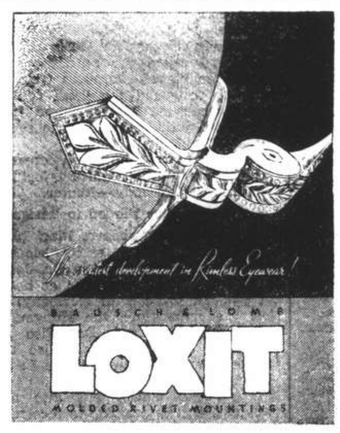

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FROM DAY TO DAY

MR. R. D. Standish, of the National City Bank, Yokohama, arrived in the President Pierce yesterday.

MRS. H. M. Bemis, wife of Captain Bemis, U. S. Naval Attache in Tokyo, was a passenger arriving in the President Pierce yesterday.

MRS. R. G. Gillingham, wife of the Superintendent of the RCA Victor and Columbia Phonograph Company, arrived in Shanghai yesterday in the President Pierce.

MR. L. Laidlaw, of the American President Lines, Mrs. Laidlaw and their son were passengers in the President Pierce which arrived here yesterday.

MR. E. G. Price, of Messrs Butterfield and Swire, Yokohama, is a through passenger in the President Pierce which arrived here yesterday. Mr. Price has been transferred to Hongkong.

THROUGH passengers for Hongkong in the President Pierce which arrived in Shanghai yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy Brauer. Mr. Brauer is Tokyo manager of the Universal Pictures.

MR. W. J. Monk and Mr. A. J. Evans, British Shipping Vice-Consul, were the principal guests at a tiffin of the pleasant little group delighting under the name of the Shanghai Club yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Evans are leaving on home leave on Sunday by the Empress of Japan.

DURING February, the Public Library issued 5,911 books to subscribers, 4,180 of fiction and 1,731 of non-fiction. 3,985 persons made use of the Reading-rooms during the month. The Library now has 718 subscribers.

THE Shanghai Municipal Council today gives notice that with effect from this date the operation of bath houses is prohibited except under permit issued by the Commissioner of Police. The proprietors of bath houses are accordingly required to make immediate application to the Commissioner of Police, Police Headquarters, Foochow Road, for the requisite permits.

ITALY has cancelled the loan of a number of Old Masters promised to the organizers of the Venetian Art Exhibition in aid of the Lord Baldwin Refugee Fund. A promise to lend the pictures had been made but apparently Signor Mussolini has introduced a new law forbidding the loan of pictures to foreign countries. The organizers of the exhibition offered to deposit with the Italian owners the value of the pictures in sterling but the offer was rejected.

THE Joint Committee of Shanghai Women's Organizations held their monthly meeting at 46 Rue Massenet, where the Associacao das Senhoras Portuguesas was hostess at a very gay tea party. The meeting dealt with routine matters, and then heard an account of preparations that should go far to making the coming "Health through Cleanliness" Campaign a success. Mrs. Donald Roberts then spoke on "Travellers in Western China" to an audience that found her half hour of enthralling talk all too short.

A SINO-BRITISH committee for the further expansion of the Hongkong University will shortly be organized under the auspices of Sir Geoffrey Northcote, Governor of Hongkong, who is Honorary President. Mr. Han Li-wu, Secretary-General to the Sino-British Boxer Indemnity Refund, has been appointed a member of the committee. Great hopes for closer Sino-British co-operation and cultural contacts were expressed by Mr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of Education, during an interview given in Chungking on Wednesday.

MR. Kampei Homma, who wrote 3,121 characters on a grain of rice at the Chicago World's Fair, will appear in the New York World's Fair at the invitation of the management of the new exposition, it was announced in Tokyo. Since his return from Chicago in 1934, Mr. Homma has been practising carving infinitesimal letters on smoking pipes and other articles. He is confident that he could beat any miniature letter writer in New York, having beaten in Chicago a man who wrote 2,781 letters on a rice grain.

THE new St. George's Hospital in London, which is to be built at a cost of nearly £700,000, will have a skyline of 85 ft., which is 22 ft. higher than that of the present building. Messrs. W. H. Watkins and Partners of Waterloo Place, Westminster, have won a competition for the design for the new building. They have received a premium of £500 and they will get about £25,000 in fees. The new hospital will have specially strengthened basements which will be garages and storerooms in time of peace and emergency yards, operating theatres, casualty clearing stations and shelters in time of war.

A MUSICAL tea, at which a number of recently arrived European musicians will render interesting items, will be held this afternoon at the Y.W.C.A. Tea is to be served at 4.30 o'clock, the programme to begin at 5.30. It will be noted that among those who are to take part are Siegfried Sonnenschein (piano), Bella Resek (contralto), Prof. Wittenberg (violin), and Lisa Robotschek (soprano). The programme consists of Continental items, usually familiar to music-lovers and the concluding number will be a duet from "Aida," sung by Bella Resek and Lisa Robotschek, accompanied by Erwin Marcus at the piano.

THE King and Queen have chosen a royal suite of ten to accompany them on their visit to Canada in May. The party will include Lady Nunburnholme and Lady Katharine Seymour, two Ladies-in-Waiting who are friends of the Queen. The rest of the suite will consist of the Earl of Eldon, Lord-in-Waiting to the King, the Earl of Airlie, Lord Chamberlain to the Queen, Mr. Alan Lascelles, Acting Private Secretary to the King, Surgeon-Captain H. White, R.N., hon. surgeon to the King, Mr. G. F. Steward, chief Press liaison officer, Captain Michael Adeane, Assistant Private Secretary to the King, Lieut.-Colonel the Hon. Piers Legh, and Commander E.M.C. Abel-Smith, R.N., both of whom are Equerries to the King. Surgeon-Captain, H. E. White and Lieut.-Colonel Piers Legh both accompanied the Prince of Wales on many of his Empire tours.

Chinese Refugees Flock Here

Trouble in Yangtze Delta Drives Many People Out; Guerillas Active

More than one thousand people living in districts in North Kiangsu where the situation is tense because of the threatened military action arrived in Shanghai yesterday afternoon in several boats and before landing they were carefully searched by the Settlement police authorities guarding the gangway leading to the No. 12 Pontoon.

Interviewed, many new arrivals leaving the Christine Moller, a British steamer, admitted that they had come here because of the tense situation. Most of them were seen carrying personal belongings including bedding which indicated that they wished to stay here for some time. The boat also carried pigs, chickens and other goods to Shanghai from Kiangpeh, (meaning north of the Yangtze).

Kiangpeh is that part of Kiangsu where barbers and most of other servants are recruited and the arrival yesterday of this large number of refugees will mean a burden to the city especially the poorer class of Chinese on whom they wish to depend for some time.

Although previous Chinese reports stated that war clouds were gathering in riverport districts in Kiangsu on the northern bank of the Yangtze as Chinese regulars and guerillas numbering about 90,000 strong were rushed to strategic places to prepare for the threatened Japanese attack, the arrivals yesterday told the reporter that fighting had not yet started in earnest.

Fighting was said to have been in progress north of Taichow and also in Shaopo. When they started their Shanghai-bound journey there was no fighting but a few days before there was. A village north of Taichow was said to have been lost. They did not know the situation in other districts such as Jukao, Nantungchow, Kitung etc. where Chinese forces were previously reported to have been prepared for an attack.

The reports indicated that the Japanese threatened to attack these districts because they wanted to cut off the supplies of Chinese forces operating there. They were also stated to be trying to close these districts to shipping in order to favour a Japanese shipping firm alone.

Refugee Beaten to Death

Two Camp Directors Given Life Imprisonment

Sheng Tze-kwang and Chao Wei-lien, who have been in charge of the No. 42 refugee camp in Fah Hwa Cheng, were sentenced to life imprisonment yesterday by the First Special District Court charged with inflicting bodily harm causing death and misappropriation. Soong Mei-shi, their colleague, drew 13 years charged with the same crimes but Tseng Ling-sen and Tsai Tsu-ying were sentenced to three years' and six years' imprisonment respectively charged only with misappropriation of public property.

It was revealed in various hearings that the men had secretly disposed of refugee rice selling it to collect cash to their own advantage. A male refugee named Chang Peh-yuan, who lived in their camp, informed the Shanghai Philanthropic Bodies' Union of the irregularity. His action angered the accused and at their instigation some men beat Chang severely. Being unable to tolerate the sufferings, Chang tried to escape from the refugee camp but he soon succumbed to the injuries.

The dead man's son reported the matter to the police and the accused were arrested. During the investigation period, a sensation was created when it was reported that the dead refugee's body had been changed into that of a woman. It was later found out that it was a mistake on the part of the undertakers in a cemetery where the coffin containing Chang's remains was put. A post mortem examination revealed that the man had actually been beaten to death.

A hair-clip—the only sharp piece of metal they had with them—was used to lance a snake bite which their 11-year-old sister had suffered at Wodonga, Victoria. Joan Williams was bitten on the ankle by a tiger snake—one of the most venomous of Australian reptiles—when walking through long grass near a creek. Her younger brother, Bruce and sister, Marie scarified the wound, tore a bathing costume into strips and applied them as ligatures. Joan recovered later.

"N.C.D.N." Photos.

Chinese Refugees Pour into Shanghai

The uncertain situation in towns on the north bank of the Lower Yangtze, where Japanese are in action against guerillas, has resulted in thousands of Chinese countrypeople flocking into Shanghai. These pictures were taken on the Bund yesterday and show one crowd arriving in the Christine Moller. Municipal police are seen searching baggage, while in the lower picture, on the right, operations are being watched by a Japanese plain-clothes officer.

Interport Tax Said Beneficial

"Reformed Government" Plan Proves Check on Imports and Exports

Put into effect since the beginning of March, the "Reformed Government's" interport duty will bring double benefits by checking the outflow of needed commodities from the provinces under the jurisdiction of the Nanking Administration, and by furnishing the government with an estimated sum of $1,200,000, which is to be expended on relief work among the distressed, the "Shanghai Mainichi" said in its Financial and Business section yesterday.

Simultaneously with the levying of the interport duty, the "Reformed Government" closed all but 14 Yangtze River ports, prohibiting the exportation of commodities. Produce and materials had been shipped out of ports downstream from Kiangyin, threatening a shortage of commodities in the Yangtze delta, the paper stated.

At these 14 ports, Pacification troops and armed police of the Nanking Government, and Japanese army units, have been stationed to prevent the smuggling of goods on to junks and lighters for the purpose of loading them on foreign vessels, the daily reported.

"Open ports" include Kiangyin, Payukiangchen, Tienshenkiang, Hupuchen, Fuoshankiang, and others, according to the Japanese paper.

Exporters of leather, live stock, rice, wheat, cereals, raw cotton, eggs, and silk must pay from five to 20 per cent. of the price of goods to be exported. Stipulations of the Kiangsu Provincial Business Tax regulations are being applied, with necessary alterations in comparative cases, to the exports from the 14 ports opened by the "Reformed Government," the "Mainichi" reported.

French Envoy to Spain Leaves Paris

Paris, Mar. 15.

Marshal Philippe Petain, first French Ambassador to Nationalist Spain, left for Sebastian at 8.50 p.m. today.—Havas.

Soviet-British Amity As Peace Bulwark

M. Maisky Says War Issue Depends on Relationship

London, Mar. 16.

Whether there will be peace or war in Europe depends on what manner of relations exists between London and Moscow, M. Ivan Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador to the Court of St. James', declared at a dinner offered at the Grosvenor House last night by the Machine Tool Trade Association.

"Britain's problem is that of exports, while Soviet Russia's concerns internal trade, consequently the paths of the two countries do not cross," M. Maisky added.—Havas.

Development Body Duties Defined

Policy Principles Rest on Tokyo Decisions; Three Bureaux to Open Here

All Japanese economic, political, and cultural policies in China will be under the jurisdiction of the Asia Development Board, which, however, will have no voice in Japanese military operations in China, Vice-Admiral Shizuye Tsuda, I.J.N.R., Director-General of the Central China Liaison Office of the Board, stated in his first interview with newspapermen Wednesday afternoon, the Japanese press reported yesterday.

Questioned as to his basic principles of policy towards China, Vice-Admiral Tsuda declared that no principles of such major importance could be formulated while hostilities were still in progress. He stated that he was in no position to direct the Government's policy from Shanghai, as the Bureau he heads was expected to function as an intermediary machine.

Conference Awaited

Real work, Vice-Admiral Tsuda continued, would begin after he had received cardinal instructions at the conference of Liaison Bureau chiefs, to be convened in Tokyo late this month. The Shanghai office has not yet been fully staffed, he said. Councillors would be appointed, when necessary, from among financial and business leaders in local Japanese civilian circles.

Preceding his press interview, Vice-Admiral Tsuda made a series of courtesy visits to naval, military, and government officers and officials on Wednesday morning, the papers reported.

Temporary quarters of the Shanghai Liaison Bureau were established in the second floor of the New Asia Hotel on Wednesday, opposite the Postal Administration Building, according to the Japanese press.

Three Bureaux

Political, Economic, and Cultural Bureaux will comprise the local office. The Political Bureau will maintain contact with the "Reformed Government," and will also be engaged in information and propaganda work. The Economic Bureau will be subdivided into three sections. The second section will effect liaison between the Shanghai Bureau and the Central China Development Company, and in addition, will exercise jurisdiction over inland river navigation, the fisheries industry, harbour works, ship building, and the salt industry.

Supervision over currency affairs and taxation systems will be carried on by the Third Section, while all other branches of economic activities, including transportation communication, electric and gas works, postal administration, agriculture, forestry, stock-breeding, the mining industry, commodity markets, and city planning, will be under the direction of the First Section.

Italian Military Lorry Catches Fire

Shortly after three p.m. yesterday a Fiat lorry, belonging to the Italian Marines in Shanghai, burst into flames on Yates Road, near Avenue Foch.

A fire engine was despatched from Central Station and the outbreak was subdued 17 minutes later. The lorry, which suffered extensive damage, was towed away.

Unhappy Sequel to Girl's Visit

Robbed, Bound, Gagged After Entertaining

It is the usual custom among Chinese to pay well for the services of young girls who are summoned to entertain men in hotel rooms, and any such girl usually leaves the establishment much richer than when she came in.

The tables were turned yesterday, however, and not only did a girl leave an hotel minus all her cash, after entertaining a group of men for several hours, but was bound and gagged in the bargain.

This amazing story was related to Louza police officials yesterday by the girl, Miss Wong Wei-fong, a licensed entertainer, who stated that she had been summoned to Room 726 at the Yangtze Hotel in Yunnan Road to entertain a group of men on Wednesday night.

Upon arrival she found the room was occupied by two men, who were not known to her, and with these two persons she stayed until 5 a.m. yesterday morning. As she was about to leave she suddenly felt herself seized by a stout pair of arms and in a twinkling of an eye she was lying bound and gagged on the bed.

The men then searched her person thoroughly and removed $277 in notes, which she carried in her gown. Walking out of the room a few minutes later, they had made good their escape, by the time the girl had freed herself. Immediately she reported the matter to the police, who are conducting investigations.

Fascist Press Finds Munich Spirit Dead

Official Italian Circles Maintain Silence

Rome, Mar. 15.

While official quarters are chary of commenting on this morning's events in Czechoslovakia, the newspapers give the trend of public opinion.

The "Telegraph" declares: "It was only after the Munich conference was hastily summoned that the occupation of the whole of Czechoslovakia was avoided last September.

"Munich might have had great influence on the European situation, but its spirit has died."—Reuter.

Attempted Murderer's Appeal Dismissed

Man Who Shot Business Rival Must Serve Eight Years

The appeal filed by Liu Baio, alias Wang Ching-lien with the Third Kiangsu High Court against the eight-year prison term imposed on him some time ago by the Second Special District Court on a charge of attempted murder, has been rejected by the former court and Liu has therefore to serve the prison term.

It will be recalled that Liu was caught red-handed on December 12 of last year by a foreign pedestrian who was passing through the street after Liu had shot down Li Yongzeng, a transportation firm manager near a bus stop in Avenue Edward VII near Rue Chu Pao San. The victim only suffered flesh wounds.

The crime had no political motive as the sentenced man told the court that the shooting was the result of a quarrel over some wharf property in Pootung between the intended victim and his business rivals.

Liu was not satisfied with the judgment given by the lower court and therefore recently filed an appeal with the High Court stating that he did not actually fire at the intended victim. Somebody shot him and before fleeing put the gun into his (Liu's) pocket. Judge Wu, of the High Court was, evidently not satisfied with this explanation.

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Soviet Army Doubled to Mass Two Million Trained Men

Marshal Voroshilov Declares Air Force 130 Per Cent. Greater; Navy Being Built Up

Moscow, Mar. 15.

TREMENDOUS increase in the Soviet armed forces was mentioned by Marshal Klementii Voroshilov, Commissar for Defence, in addressing the 18th Congress of the Communist Party. In the course of the Five-Year Plan, he declared, the size of the Army had more than doubled, the Air Force increased by 130 per cent., while the Navy was now being built up into a mighty fleet.

Referring to the Air Force, Marshal Voroshilov said that the Soviet Union now had bombers capable of flying at speeds well over 300 miles per hour, with ceilings up to nine miles. The Soviet frontier defences, he added, had been radically improved and the number of special troops for these fortified areas had been considerably increased.—Reuter.

Moscow, Mar. 16.

The peace-time Army of the Soviet Union now numbers 2,500,000, the Communist Party Congress was told last night by the Commissar for Defence, Marshal Klementii Voroshilov, in what was considered a warning to Germany not to continue her march eastward.

The Red Army chieftain said the Soviet Union was prepared to fight invasion at "any moment" and had not only been doubled in size since 1934, but had been strengthened by recent purges which eliminated "traitors" from the Army ranks.

Although he did not specifically mention Germany, he said the Soviet Union was determined to defend her western frontier against any threats of invasion. He also pointed a warning at Japan by stating that the Army had been trained in a "spirit of internationalism" which was taken to mean that attention should be paid to Russia's semi-independent Far Eastern Army.

Foreign Critics Denounced

Marshal Voroshilov bitterly denounced foreign critics who claimed the Red Army had been weakened by recent purges.

"The Fascists would have been happier if base traitors like Tuchachevsky, Yegorov and Orlov continued to operate in our midst, selling both our Army and our people to the enemies.

"The organizers of the World War can carry on their black deeds infinitely better if they have a reliable agency in foreign armies. We could have ignored these insinuations of Fascist dogs about the weakness of the Red Army if some Fascist aggressors had not drawn some practical conclusions from this.

"I have in mind those gentlemen who, being fed by stories of weakness in the Red Army, hastened to take advantage of a 'convenient opportunity' to move against Lake Khasan. The results of this attempt are common knowledge. If the object lesson at Lake Khasan was insufficient, our Red Army is ready at any moment to repeat this lesson on a large scale and in a manner more convincing to everybody who is looking for trouble."—United Press.

Government Notes Still Circulate

Value Much Higher Than F.R.B. Notes in North China; Amount Double

Although the legal tender notes issued by Chinese Government banks have been prohibited in several big cities in North China they are still being circulated in those cities and their value is much higher than the new notes issued by the provisional regime in Peiping, according to Chinese reports. Despite the new order forbidding circulation the legal tender notes are widely used and people like to preserve them.

Being unable to reject the provisional regime notes, people in the north use them soon after receiving them. The "federal notes" as the new notes are called circulated in the north represent a face value of $185,000,000 but the legal tender notes circulated in the same area amount to $335,000,000, it is stated.

Inquiries have revealed that the legal tender notes officially rejected by the new regime in Peiping are accepted by Chinese banks in Shanghai which do not accept the "federal notes." Money in Chinese Government banknotes remitted to the north through Shanghai banks will not lose value because the receiver will obtain the same currency in the north. Persons remitting money to Shanghai must use legal tender notes, however.

The British, American and French Governments have lodged protests with the Japanese authorities against the new currency policy in the north which is said to have affected their trade.

Shipping in North China is said to have been completely monopolized by the Japanese and Japan ranks the first in both export and import trade in all ports in the north. A systematic control of the main Chinese products such as leather, beans and cotton has been effected.

Anglo-German Trade Talks Continuing

British Ministers Not To Visit Germany

London, Mar. 16.

Despite the fact that both Mr. Oliver Stanley and Mr. R. S. Hudson, respectively President and Parliamentary Secretary of the Board of Trade, have cancelled their projected trip to Germany, the members of the British industrial delegation at present in the Reich intend to continue their programme.

They will, however, cancel their visit to the German capital. Yesterday, the delegation conferred in Dusseldorf with representatives of the Reichsgruppe, and the talks will continue until Friday. According to well-informed quarters, the results of the conversations are said to be satisfactory.—Havas.

German Comment

Berlin, Mar. 15.

Commenting on the postponement of the visit to Berlin of Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, and Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, German political circles, while expressing polite regret, are fully conscious of the necessity of this measure.

At the same time, it is reported that "satisfactory progress" has been made between the Federation of British Industries and the Reichsgruppe Industrie when the official trade talks opened here today.—Reuter.

Japanese Limit Traffic To China

Shipping Monopoly Seen in Near Future

Tokyo, Mar. 16.

Japan's near sea routes, linking Japan and China ports, will be monopolized by a semi-official holding company, while a law will be introduced for regulating China navigation, Mr. Jiro Isetani, Director of the Shipping Bureau in the Ministry of Communications, told the Lower House committee, which is investigating legislation for ship-building subsidies.

Vessels belonging to companies outside the holding company, whose operation may conflict with the interests of the projected semi-official navigation company, would be prohibited from navigating between Japan and China. Only tramp vessels would be left unlimited in their operations, except in the transportation of staple commodities, Mr. Isetani declared to the Diet committee.—Domei.

Tunisia Invasion Rumours Denied

Paris, Mar. 16.

The Resident General of Tunisia last night officially denied Berlin rumours that Italian troops had penetrated the Tunisian frontier. The report from Tunis said no trouble had occurred anywhere on the Tunisian frontier.—United Press.

Women Volunteers Handle Ambulance Cases

Women members of the London County Council Volunteer Ambulance Service being trained in stretcher drill at their headquarters in Seagrave Road, Fulham. The L.C.C. recently appealed for 5,000 women volunteers to act as ambulance drivers but this has been increased to 17,000.

Tokyo Press Hints Rumania Next

Hungarian Action in Ruthenia Mystifies; Ukraine Drive Due

Tokyo, Mar. 16.

Information pertaining to the Czechoslovakian situation was conveyed to the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita, by Maj.-Gen. Eugen Ott, Reich Ambassador in Tokyo, this morning.

Mr. Arita was understood to have been non-commital concerning Japan's future diplomatic relations with Czechoslovakia, as official information from Japanese diplomats was lacking, while the status of the new legal relations to be developed between Germany and Czechoslovakia are not clearly known by the Japanese Government.

As soon as detailed official information reaches the Japanese Government, Japan will resort to "a step amicable towards Germany," authoritative quarters revealed here today.—Domei.

Tokyo Press Mystified

Tokyo, Mar. 16.

Mystification is expressed by some newspapers regarding Hungary's action in Ruthenia, among them the "Asahi Shimbun," but all papers agree that the German eastern penetration has received a powerful impetus from the fresh dismemberment of Czechoslovakia. The "Asahi" says that quiet has apparently begun to prevail in Europe with the subsidence of the civil war in Spain, but the fresh flare-up in Central Europe defies prediction as to what will be in store for Europe.

"The path to the Ukraine" is opened to Germany, with her influence firmly established in Czechoslovakia, according to the "Hochi Shimbun," which says that Japan must learn much from Herr Hitler's policy, which has been successful in dominating Central Europe in twelve months.

The "Nichi Nichi" is impressed by Herr Hitler's tactful and successful handling of the racial self-determination doctrine which was advanced during the world war by Britain, France and other Allies, in an effort to dismember the Austro-Hungarian Empire, in reorganizing Czechoslovakia.

"Operations in Rumania"

"Germany's drive to the Ukraine starts when she has completed operations in Rumania," says the "Kokumin Shimbun." The paper, however, points out three possible routes for the German push to the Ukraine as being via Rumania, Poland or the Baltic states.

The paper does not believe that serious complications will occur between Hungary and Germany regarding Ruthenia, in view of Hungary's recent adherence to the tripartite anti-Comintern Pact.

"The Japanese nation should not be indifferent to the Czechoslovakia question," the "Kokumin Shimbun" urges, pointing out that the existence of the Anti-Comintern Pact, as well as the lessons taught Japan by the Soviet Union in connection with the "China incident" and the fishery question.

The paper also declares that Japan, Germany and Italy have been destined to build up closer friendship.

Under the caption of "An Obituary," the "Japan Advertiser" says it shall be recorded that the proud Czechoslovak Nation, which came into existence as an independent sovereign state on February 29, 1920, came to an end as an independent entity in Europe on March 14, 1939—a mere score of years later. Hitler's coup in Czechoslovakia, declares the paper, succeeded because of Germany's superior armed strength, the annexation of Austria, the support of Italy, and the failure of Britain, France and the Soviet Union to come to her assistance.—Reuter.

Japan Ready to Greet U.S.S. Astoria

¥.30,000 for Reception of American Crew

Tokyo, Mar. 16.

The American cruiser Astoria' with the ashes of the late Mr. Hiroshi Saito, former Ambassador in Washington, aboard, is expected to arrive at Yokohama on April 17 from Annapolis, from where she is sailing on March 18.

Preparations for the reception of officers and crew of the U.S.S. Astoria are being made jointly by the Foreign Office, the Admiralty and the local authorities. The Foreign Office has asked the Diet to vote ¥.30,000 for the reception of the U.S.S. Astoria.

It has been arranged that Mr. Renzo Sawada, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, should make a 15-minute radio speech to America, through radio station NBC at noon on March 19, on the day following the departure of the Astoria from Annapolis to Japan. He will express Japan's deep appreciation of the friendly sentiments of the American Government and people to Japan, as manifested in the transportation of the remains of the late Ambassador by an American cruiser.

A Japanese cruiser or destroyer flotilla will meet the U.S.S. Astoria off Tokyo Bay, and escort her to Yokohama on April 17.—Reuter.

Empire Air Services To Be Speeded Up

14 New Types of Civil Planes Being Built

London, Mar. 15.

It is intended to speed up the Empire air services time-table progressively by the extension of night-flying, and the provision of aircraft, announced Captain H. H. Balfour, the Under-Secretary of State for Air, in answer to a question in the House of Commons today.

Mr. Harry Day, Labour member for Central Southwark asked regarding the difference in the timing between Imperial Airways and the K.L.M. between London and Singapore.

Orders for production, Captain Balfour revealed, had already been placed.

Asked if any new machines had been constructed, Captain Balfour replied that fourteen new types of civil 'planes were being constructed by Fairey's. Probably, when completed in 1941 or 1942, Captain Balfour stated, they would be used on this and other routes.—Reuter.

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Mayor in U.S. Takes Drastic Steps

Firemen Lose Beds as Sequel to Dispute

Woburn, Mass., Mar. 15.

Mayor William E. Kane has ordered all beds removed from fire stations.

The "No-bed" order followed Mr. Kane's warning that the twenty regular and twenty call firemen will have to climb to the top of a 165-foot water tower and leap into a net if they want to hold their jobs. He said there were too many "pot-beilied" firemen on the force which his brother, Michael, heads.

Mr. Kane said that a $1-a-day soldier performing sentry duty would be shot if he fell asleep "but a fireman getting $42 a week goes on the job at night and tumbles into a nice warm bed between clean sheets bought by and laundered at the city's expense—and goes to work."

"It's the only work I know of where a man is working while sleeping," Mr. Kane said. "People complain of men leaning on shovels receiving $13 a week. How many know about all the brave firemen getting $42 a week for sleeping?"

That was Mayor William E. Kane's answer to the filing of suits by nineteen firemen for $200 each in back pay in a budget reduction controversy.—United Press.

Anglo-French Naval Co-operation

London, Mar. 15.

In replying to questions in the House of Commons today, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Parliamentary and Financial Secretary of the Admiralty, declared that if Great Britain and France found themselves allied in any future war, it was contemplated that their Naval co-operation would be complete.

Conversations already been begun between their respective Naval staffs, he added, were being continued.—Reuter.

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Economic Plans in China Considered

Development Board Draws Up Scheme for Restoring Prosperity to Country

Tokyo, Mar. 16.

Economic conditions in Central China will be brought back to a pre-hostility level within three years, Mr. Shinrokuro Hidaka, Director of the Economic Bureau of the Asia Development Board, declared today to the Lower House committee which is investigating the laws and by-laws of the Central China Development Company. Control of China's exports would also be exercised, he said.

Destruction in Central China during the present hostilities has been more extensive than that in North China, Mr. Hidaka stated, pointing out that Japan is planning the re-establishment of an economic *status quo ante* in Central China. Researches are being launched with that end in view, the Economic Bureau chief revealed.

Foreigners Admitted Conditionally

The Government expects to hold a Y.10,000,000 share in the Central China Development Company, while third party nationals will be permitted to purchase debentures of the C.C.D.C., "As long as they entertain the sincere intention of co-operating in its enterprises," Mr. Hidaka, who was formerly Consul-General in Shanghai, remarked.

The Government did not intend to place Japan's exports to China solely in the hands of the C.C.D.C., but the formation of some pool or organization to regulate the sale of Japanese goods to China was regarded as necessary, Mr. Hidaka continued. Japan also desires to have the Chinese exports to third Powers conducted in a regulated manner, he said.

A fundamental study should be made of the textile industry in China from the standpoint of the Japan-Manchoukuo-China economic bloc, Mr. Hidaka added, although the rehabilitation of Japanese spinning mills in China should be effected promptly.—Domei.

U.S. to Compete for Cotton Markets

Mr. Wallace Says Export Subsidy Not Yet Decided

Washington, Mar. 15.

Mr. Henry A. Wallace, the Secretary of Agriculture, told the Cotton Standards Conference today that the United States would soon enter the world cotton markets on a competitive basis.

He declined to say, however whether the plans now under consideration would involve a direct export subsidy. He added that the specific plan to be adopted was up to Congress.

Meanwhile, President Roosevelt today signed the Jones Bill, permitting reallocation of unused cotton acreage allotments.—Reuter.

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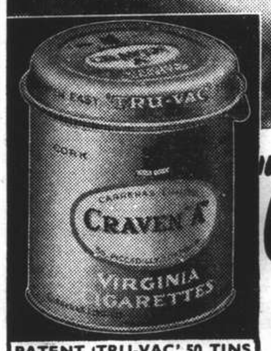

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BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

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U.S. $100 @ 16/32 ..... $622.57

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 8 5/16 ..... $28.872
U.S. $100 @ 16¼ $615.38
London—demand 8 5/16
4 months' sight credits 8 1/32
4 months' sight docts 8 1/32
6 months' sight credits 8⅜
6 months' sight docts 8 7/32
New York—demand ..... U.S. $16¼
4 months' sight credits 16 5/16
4 months' sight docts 16 1/16
Paris—4 months' sight doct Fcs. 626

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling ..... 8¼ U.S. $16 3/32
Hongkong/London 1/29 31/32

Chartered Bank

Canadian $100 @ 16 ..... $625.00
Hongkong $54 7/8 ..... $100.00

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Netherlands Guilders ..... Selling 30 1/8
Java Guilders ..... „ 30 1/8

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Tourist Lire 3.32 ..... $1

Other Quotations

Berlin/Hamburg T.T. $100=Rm. 39¾
$100=Reg. Mk. 74.00
incl. License fee

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

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	Highest	Lowest
£	8 1/32	8 1/32
U.S. G.$	16 3/32	16 1/8
Yen	—	—

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

	Cash	SELLING Mar.-Apr.	BUYING
£	T.T.	8¼	4 m/s. l.c. 8 5/16
G.$	T.T.	16 1/16	4 m/s. l.c. 16¼
Fcs.	T.T.	607	4 m/s. 617
Rs.	T.T.	45 3/8	15 d/s. 46 3/8

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London pence per std. oz.	20⅝	20 1/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	42¾	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	53.01	—

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London silver was unchanged both ready and forward, being 20⅝ for ready and 20 1/16 forward. New York was unchanged at 42¾ and Bombay was 3 annas up at 53.01.

It was reported speculators bought and sold. Business was small, and the market steady. After the official fixing the market was very quiet.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 8¼ sterling and 16 1/16 U.S.$.

The Interbank market was quiet. Opening with sellers at 8 3/32 sterling and 16⅛ U.S.$ cash and March. A small demand made the market easier and rates declined to 8¼ sterling and 16 3/32 U.S.$ at which they remained for the rest of the day. At the close there were sellers at:—

8¼ sterling	16 3/32 U.S.$	Cash/Mar.
8 3/32 „	16 1/16 „	Apr.
8 3/32 „	16 „	May

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay, Rupee T. T. on: Mar. 15.

Japan	73⅝	London	1/5 31/64
New York	235⅜	2 mths	
Shanghai	48½	„ (sellers)	1/5 29/32
Hongkong	85¾	„ (Buyers)	1/5 31/32

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	468.62	Shanghai	8 1/32 N
Paris	176.78	Bombay	1/5 3/32
Berlin	11.68	Hongkong	1/2 3/32
Amsterdam	8.83¾	Singapore	2/3 3/32
Brussels	27.85½	Yokohama	1/2
Madrid	100.00	„ (Buying)	Unq.
Milan	89.07	C'slovakia	137.00 S
Berne	20.60½	S—sellers.	

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.13	Japan	27.35
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	16.30
Holland	54.10	Austria	Unq.
Paris	2.65½	C'slovakia	3.43
Brussels	16.83	Hungary	19.80
Italy	5.26¼	Rumania	0.73
S'zerland	22.74	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	24.13½	Greece	0.86 1/16
Norway	23.55	Bulgaria	1.25
Denmark	20.92	Finland	2.07
Montreal	99.62⅝	Poland	18.88
Brazil	5.90		

London	4.68 3/8
„ Demand	4.68 1/2
„ Bankers' 60 days bills	4.68 3/8
„ Commercial 60 days bills	4.68 3/8
Buenos Aires Paper	29.07
Buenos Aires Paper, market rate	23.10
Montreal on London	4.70½

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:	Mar. 15.		
Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	0 3/4%	
Bank Bills,	6 months	0 11/16%	
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%	
„ „ „	6 months	3½%	
Call Money		0½%	
New York:			
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months		0 7/16%B	
		0 7/16%A	
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months		0 9/16%B	
		0 11/16%A	
Call Money		1%	

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

March 16	Closing a.m. Closing	Prices p.m. Closing
Antamok	.43	.43
Atok	.385	.385
Balatoc	9.25	9.20
Batong Buhay	.021	.021
Benguet Consolid.	13.50	13.50
Big Wedge	.34	.345
Coco Grove	.46	.46
Demonstration	.145	.15
I X L	.65	.65
Masbate	.16	.16
North Camarines	.66	.66
San Mauricio	2.15	2.15
Surigao Con., Com.	.265	.255
Surigao Con. Vot. Trust	.24	.24
Suyoc	.205	.205
United Paracale	.76	.76

Turnover: 945,000 Pesos.—Reuter.

Asia Cotton Market Sought

Washington, Mar. 15.

Despite a 20 per cent. increase in American cotton exports to the Far East in 1938, the Southern cotton farmer apparently has a long wait coming before he regains the Asiatic market.

Department of Commerce figures indicate that 1938 exports were still 20 per cent., below those for 1936, and fifty per cent. below the annual average for the 1931-1935 period. Last year's exports to the Far East totalled 1,145,000 five-hundred-pound bales.—United Press.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

Official Averages

1939 High	1939 Low		Today's Averages	Changes
154.31	105.32	General	145.36	—0.50
152.46	95.55	Rubbers	146.46	—0.48

Total 21,909 shares, 762 bonds.

Morning Session

$5,000	S'hai Power 5½% Debs.	$ 90.75
$3,000	Wing On 7% Debs.	98.00
$20,000	China Realty 8% Debs.	$ 56.00
U.S. $10,000	Gold $ Bonds 5% 1925 (Unstpd)	US$ 64.00
20	S'hai Power (Pref)	$131.00
1,800	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.70
500	Tram (Bearer) £1	40.50*
200	Tram (Bearer) £1	40.50
300	Wheelock	34.00
2,000	China Finance	0.40
200	Tram (Bearer) £1	40.25
450	Tram (Bearer) £1	40.50
100	Wheelock	34.25
1,000	New Eng. (Ord)	6.70
100	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.60
50	Ewo Mills (Pref)	155.00*
105	S'hai Power (Pref)	130.00
200	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.70
3,000	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.60
700	Wheelock	34.50
1,000	Exploration	3.20
2,000	Rubber Trust	4.25
1,500	Exploration	8.15
500	Yangtsze Finance	6.35

ODD LOTS

500	China Realty	$ 0.83
12	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.50
267	Int. Assurance	8.45
35	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.50
30	Tram (Bearer) £1	40.75
30	S'hai Land	9.40
320	Int. Assurance	8.45
312	New Eng. (Ord)	6.65
5	S'hai Loan	5.95
5	Exploration	8.05
5	Langkat	9.90
166	I. I. Trust	3.55

*—Outport Business.

Afternoon Session

G$1,650	Gold $ Bonds 5% 1925	G$ 63.50
$1,000	S'hai Tele. 6% Debs.	$ 95.50
$5,000	S'hai Power 5½% Debs.	$ 90.75
$15,000	I. Trust 6% Debs.	$ 80.00
500	New Eng. (Pref)	$ 6.90
68	S'hai Power (Pref)	129.50
500	Int. Assurance	8.40
2,100	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.70
100	Wheelock	34.50
600	Tram (Bearer) £1	40.25
200	Ewo Mills (Ord)	18.60
10	S'hai Power (Pref)	129.50

ODD LOTS

$500	S. W. W. 6% Debs. 1932	$ 99.00
4	S'hai Power (Pref)	$129.75
130	Exploration	8.05
255	I. I. Trust	3.57½

London Stocks

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

London, Mar. 15.

The continued tension over Czechoslovakia acted as a brake on trading on the Stock Exchange today, prices being marked down though little selling pressure was noted.

Czech bonds were quoted nominally, while British giltedged securities moved lower. Among oils, Attocks resisted the downward trend owing to Eastern buying. Industrials and Kaffirs were both generally easier.—Reuter.

	Mar. 14	15
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£98 1/16	98⅛

JAPANESE BONDS

Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	41	40¾
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	47½	47½

Osaka, Mar. 16.

Kogo 5% ..... Y 103.78

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Allied Ironfounders	19/9	19/6
Armstrong Stevens	7/9	7/9
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	43/-	43/-
Austin Motors, ord.	24/4½	24/4½
Bristol Aeroplane, ord.	22/1½	22/-
British American Tob.	102/6	101/10½
Cable & W., new form	46½	46½
Cammell Laird, ord.	8/7½	8/9
Courtaulds	28/6	28/-
Distillers	93/6	93/6
Dunlop Rubber	28/9	27/9
General Elec. (Eng.)	60/9	60/6
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	104/6	104/6
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	21/-	21/-
Imp. Chem. Indus.	32/1½	31/7½
Imp. Tobacco	136/10½	136/3
Leyland Motors	92/9	92/9
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	63/-	62/4½
Pressed Steel, com.	18/1½	17/9
Rolls-Royce	114/4½	113/9
Smethwick Drop Forgings	17/-	17/-
Tate & Lyle	63/-	62/6
Turner & Newall	81/10½	80/9
United Steel	24/7½	24/6
Vickers, ord.	21/3	21/7½
Woolworths	64/7½	64/3

MISCELLANEOUS

Anglo Dutch	27/3	27/3
Rubber Pltn. Inv.	30/3	30/3

MINES

Burma Corp.	9/3	9/1½
Commonwealth Min.	1/3	1/3
Marsman Invest.	18/3	18/-
Randfontein Ests.	36/7½	36/7½
Sub-Nigel	2/1/3	228/9
Tanami Gold Min.	4½d	4½d.
Western Holdings	11/4½	10/10½

OILS

Anglo Iranian	94/4½	93/1½
Burmah	84/4½	83/1½
Mexican Eagle	9/6	8/1½
Shell Trans. & Trad.	87/6	85/-

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.

4½% Gold Loan, 1896	£77½	77
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	69	69
4½% Anglo-French Loan	55	55
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	37½	57½
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	52	52
8% Sig. Notes, 1925	17½	17½
5% Honan Rly., 1905	23	23
5% Hukuang Rly., 1913	23	23
5% „ „ (Ger. Is.)	21	21
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	16	16
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	25	25
5% T'sin-Pukow Rly. B.	16	16
5% „ „ G.	16	16
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) B.	16	16
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	16	16
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	21	21
S'hai Elec. Construction	25/- N	25/- N
S'hai Waterworks "A"	19½ N	19½ N
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	30½	30½
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	9½	9½
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	89	88½
„ „ (Col. Reg.)	89	88½
Chinese Eng. & Min.	19/-	19/-
Chosen Corp.	6/-	6/-
Pekin Syndicate	2/- N	2/- N
Guia Kalumpong Rubber	21/7½	20/7½

N—Nominal.

British Commodities

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

London, Mar. 15.

The commodity markets ruled generally quiet, with price movements narrow.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 8 1/8 —1/8; sellers 8 5/16 —1/8; Apl./June delivery, buyers 8 3/8 —1/8; sellers 8¼ —1/8.

London Sugar (Buyers): May 6/3½ +1; Aug. 6/3 +¾; Dec. 6/1¾ +¾.

Liverpool Wheat: Mar. 4/3¾ +5/8; May 4/5 +¾; July (New Contract) 4/4¾ +3/8.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: Mar. 5.02 —2; May 5.00 —1; July 4.81 —1; Sept. 4.68 —2; Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7) No. 2 contract: Mar. 6.59 —3; May 7.04 —3; July 7.10 —2; Sept. 7.10 —2.

London Metals: Copper, Standard, cash, sellers 43 5/16 +¼; 3 mths sellers £43 13/16 +¼; Electrolytic, buyers £43¼ +¼; Tin, Standard, cash, sellers £216½ +7/8; 3 mths sellers £215¾ +1/2; Lead, Foreign official price, sellers £15 +1/16; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £15¼ +..; Spelter, Ordinary, official price, sellers £13/8 unch; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £14¼ unch.—Reuter.

New York Stocks

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Mar. 16.

Prices in the stock market today slid sharply lower under nervous liquidation precipitated by reports of the increased tension in Central Europe, losses ranging up to three dollars or more over a wide front. The turnover totalled, 1,110,000 shares. While trade news continued generally favourable, sentiment was nervous and continued irregularity was considered probable pending settlement of the latest European imbroglio. Barring further adverse developments, however, it was generally believed the underlying tendency remained upward and that eventual resumption of the advance was likely.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	150.28	147.16	147.66	—3.44
20 Rails	32.21	31.38	31.55	—1.20
15 Utilit.	25.88	25.13	25.30	—0.70
40 Bonds	—	—	91.36	—0.45
11 Commod.	—	—	47.79	+0.01

	Mar. 14	15
Adams Express	9 3/4	9 7/8
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	23½	22½
Allied Stores	10 5/8	10
Allis Chalmers	45¾	44
Amerada Corp.	66¾	65¾
Amer. Can	93¾	91½
Amer. & For. Power	3 1/8	3
„ „ $7 pfd.	19½	18¼
Amer. Gas & Elec.	39¼	39
Amer. Locomotive	26¼	24¾
Amer. Metal	38¾	38 3/8
Amer. Radiator	16½	15 7/8
Amer. Rolling Mill	18¾	18½
Amer. Smelting	47¼	46
Amer. Sugar Refining	20½	20 1/8
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	*165 1/8	162 3/8
Amer. Tobacco "B"	87	86¼
Amer. Waterworks	13¼	12 7/8
Anaconda Copper	29	28
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	38	36½
Auburn	4¼	3 5/8
Baltimore & Ohio	6¾	6 5/8
Barber Asphalt Corp.	19¼	18 3/8
Barnsdall Oil Co.	17 3/8	16½
Bendix Aviation	26½	25½
Bethlehem Steel	73½	70 3/8
Boeing Airplane Co.	28¾	28¼
Borg Warner	31 7/8	30½
Briggs Mfg. Co.	28⅛	26¾
Eklyn-Manhattan Trans.	11 3/8	10 7/8
„ $6 cum. pfd.	38 3/8	37 1/8
Can. Pacific Rly.	5	4¾
Case, J.I.	—	88
Celanese Corp.	22 3/8	21¼
Chase Nat. Bank	B 33¼	B 32¼
Chesapeake & Ohio	38¾	37¼
Chrysler	83 3/8	79½
Columbia Gas & Elec.	8	7 5/8
„ 6% "A" pfd.	91	90½
Comi. Credit	54½	54
Comm. & Southern (ord.)	1 5/8	1 5/8
„ $6 cum. pfd.	63½	61¾
Consolid. Edison	34 1/8	33 1/8
Consolid. Oil	8¾	8½
Continental Can	42¾	41
Continental Oil	29¾	28 3/8
Corn Products	66½	65 5/8
Curtiss Wright (com.)	6	6 1/8
„ "A"	24½	24 1/8
Deere & Co.	23 1/8	22
Distillers Corp.	20	19½
Douglas Aircraft	69	69½
Du Pont de Nemours	154¾	152¾
Eagle Picher Lead	11½	10 3/8
Eaton Manufacturing Co.	26	25¾
Elec. Auto Lite	37½	36 3/8
Elec. Bond & Share	11¾	11
„ $5 pfd.	63	62½
„ $6 pfd.	71¼	70
Engineers Public Serv.	11¼	10¾
Elec. Pwr. & Lt.	38½	37
Food Machinery Corp.	*B 29½	B 28¾
Flintkote	29½	28½
Gen. Amer. Trans. Corp.	57½	56
Gen. Elec.	42¾	40 7/8
Gen. Motors	51 1/8	49
Gen. Rly. Signal	23½	22 1/8
Glidden Co.	22	21¼
Goodrich (B.F.)	22 1/8	21 3/8
„ $5 pfd.	72	71
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	35¼	33½
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	15½	15½
Great Nthrn. Rly.	28 1/8	26 5/8
Great Western Sugar	27¾	27 1/8
Greyhound Corp.	21	20 1/8
Hecker Products	11 7/8	11¼
Homestake Min.	65 1/8	64 3/4
Indus. Rayon	B 26	25¼
Int. Harvester	65 5/8	64½
Int. Nickel	53¼	51
Int. Tel. & Tel.	9 3/8	9
Johns Manville	96¾	93
Jones & Laughlin	B 53	52½
Kennecott	38	36 3/8
Libby-Owens-Ford Glass	56½	54
Lockheed Aircraft	30 5/8	30¼
Loew's Inc.	49	47 3/8
Manhattan Shirt Co.	—	—
Martin, Glenn L. Co.	35½	36
McKesson & Rob.	12½	11 3/4
Monsanto Chemical	105	B 102
Montgomery Ward	53 5/8	52 1/8
Nat. City Bank	B 27	B 25¼
Nat. Dairy Products	16 1/8	15 5/8
Nat. Distillers	27 3/8	27 3/8
Nat. Gypsum	15 3/8	14 7/8
Nat. Lead	25½	24 7/8
Nat. Power & Lt.	9	8 5/8
Nat. Steel Corp.	77¼	76½
Nat. Supply Co.	12 1/2	12 1/8
New York Central	20	18 5/8
Niagara Hudson Power	8 7/8	8 5/8
North Amer. Aviation	16 3/8	16 3/8
North Amer. Co.	25½	24¾
Northern Pacific	12 3/8	11 3/8
Pacific Gas & Elec.	35¾	33 1/8
Pacific Lighting	49	48 3/8
Packard Motors	4	3 7/8
Paramount Pitcures Inc.	11 1/8	10½
Pennsylvania R.R.	22 3/8	21½
Phelps Dodge	40 3/8	38 7/8
Phillips Petroleum	41¼	40 1/8
Public Serv. of N.J.	37 3/8	36 1/8
Pullman, Inc.	35¾	34½
Pure Oil	10 1/8	9 7/8
Radio Corp. of Amer.	7 3/8	7½
Republic Steel Co.	21¼	20 1/8
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	38 3/8	38¾
Richfield Oil Corp.	9½	9 3/8
Safeway Stores	36¼	35
Schenley	17½	16¾
„ 5½% pfd.	75	74½
Sears Roebuck	77	75¾
Shell Union Oil	14	13½
Socony Vacuum	13 3/8	13
Sthrn. Pacific	18	17
Sthrn. Rly. 5% pfd.	30	28¾
Sperry Corp.	43½	42¾
Stand. Brands	7 1/8	7
Stand. Gas & Elec.	67½	65½
Stand. Oil of Calif.	30 1/8	29¼
Stand. Oil of N.J.	49 7/8	49 1/8
Stone & Webster	15 3/8	14½
Swift International	—	27 1/8
Technicolor	19 3/8	18¼
Texas Corp.	45	43¾
Texas Gulf Sulphur	30¾	30½
Transamerica	6 5/8	6½
Tw. Century Fox Film.	22 7/8	21 3/1
„ „ pfd.	32½	—
Un. Carbide & Carbon	86 1/2	85 3/8
Un. Pacific	103	100
Un. Aircraft	37¾	37 3/8
Un. Air Lines Trans.	12¼	11 1/8
Un. Corp.	3¼	3
„ $3 cum. pfd.	39	37¾
Un. Gas Corp.	2 3/4	2 5/8
Un. Gas Improvement	13 1/8	12 3/4
U. S.Rubber	45 7/8	43¼
„ 8% pfd.	108¼	106½
U. S. Steel	62 3/8	60 3/8
Vanadium	27 3/8	26
Warner Bros. Picts.	6 1/8	5 7/8
Westinghouse Elec.	115	111¼
Woodward Iron	23	22½

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	59	57½
Brazil	20 5/8	18 7/8
Baltimore & Ohio	23 3/8	22 3/8
Cities Serv. Pwr.	84 7/8	83¾
Erie R.R.	12½	11¾
Minas Geraes	B 13¼	B 11½
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s	75	71½
New England Gas & Elec.	69¼	68
Peru	11¾	11 1/8
Rio Grande do Sul	B 11½	B 10 3/8
Sao Paulo	B 11	B 10½
Sthrn. Pacific R.R.	56	55

B—Bid. *—Ex Dividend.

Dow-Jones Summary

Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz.

Nervousness over Czechoslovakia dominated dealings in the stock market today. The break in prices was the widest since January 26, while Czech bonds crashed in both the New York and London markets. Wall Street's principal worry concerned the European political situation, and there was also considerable disappointment regarding domestic developments, especially the action of the Federal Reserve in dissipating hopes for a margin reduction. Traders were also perturbed over the uncertainties of the new tax bill. The volume lightened near the close, with the list down one to three points, the leading issues being hardest hit. Aviations apparently showed the best resistance.

Curb stocks worked lower, while bond prices also moved downward, with United States government issues irregular.

Chartered Bank Dividend

The Shanghai office of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China have received the following telegram from the Head Office in London: On March 29 at annual general meeting of shareholders Directors will recommend a final dividend at rate of 10 per cent. per annum subject to income tax, carrying forward £179,094-8-2, £35,000 to be added to Pension Fund.

U.S. Commodities

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Mar. 15.

After opening irregular, the cotton market declined in sympathy with Wall Street and on general liquidation, but partially recovered near the close, ending the session 1 point up to 2 points off as compared with yesterday's final quotations.

The market for raw rubber followed the decline in London and the weakness of securities, closing 17 to 21 points below yesterday's closing prices.

Wheat futures in Chicago moved upward owing to the bullish interpretation given to the situation in Europe, which resulted in some short covering. However, the early gains were not fully maintained, prices closing ¼ to ⅜ cent per bushel higher.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
Mar.	8.74-74 unc.	May	16.31-22 —21
May	8.33-34 —01	July	16.26-32 —18
July	8.13-13 +01		B/A
Oct.	7.76-76 +01	Sept.	16.23-32 —20
Dec.	7.69-70 unc.		B/A
Jan.	7.67-67 —02	Dec.	16.29-29 —17

New York Sugar No. 4		New York Silk	
May	1.14½-15 +½		
	B/A	Mar. (No. 1)	
July	1.14-14½ unc.		2.15½-15½ +3½
	B/A		

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
May	67 3/8-67¾ +3/8	May	47¾-47 7/8 —1/8
July	67⅞-68 +3/8	July	49½-49½ unc.
Sept.	68 3/8-68¾ +1/4	Sept.	50¼-50 3/8 —1/8

Winnipeg Wheat

May	60-60 1/8	+1/4
July	60¾-60 7/8	+3/8
Oct.	61½-61½	+3/8

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Anglo-French Land Dividend

The "North-China Daily News" is advised by Messrs. A. R. Burkill & Sons, Ltd., Agents of the Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd. that the profit on rental working account for the year ended February 28, 1939, after providing $100,631.77 for depreciation and renewals, amounts to $183,926.33.

After transferring $7,761,14 to special repairs reserve, the sum transferred from profit and loss account to profit and loss appropriation account is $159,780.46 to which must be added $3,542.07 brought forward from previous year, making a total of $163,322.53. Deducting $38,670, being interim dividend of $2 per share paid on October 14 last year, there is a balance at credit of profit and loss appropriation account of $124,652.53.

At a meeting of directors held yesterday, it was decided to recommend the following appropriation at the forthcoming annual general meeting of Shareholders to be held on Tuesday, April 4, 1939:—

To Pay a Final Dividend of $5.00 Local Currency per share (making a total of $7.00 Local Currency per share for the year)	$ 96,675.00
To Place to General Reserve	10,664.09
To Place to Special Repairs Reserve	5,000.00
To Place to Bad Debts Reserve	3,762.75
To Donate to British Forces Recreation Centres Fund	500.00
To Carry forward	8,050.69
	$124,652.53

Canton Union Insurance Dividend

The head office of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., announce that at the forthcoming annual general meeting to be held on the April 21 the Directors will recommend the payment of a final dividend of 15 shillings per share for the year ended December 31, 1938.

U.S. Crude Oil Production

New York, Mar. 15.

The American Petroleum Institute of New York, in its weekly report issued today, estimates that the daily average gross crude oil production for the week ended March 11 totalled 3,353,000 barrels.

This represents a gain of 38,000 barrels over the last week, but a drop of 29,000 barrels from the corresponding week last year.

The daily average output for the week ended March 4 was placed at 3,315,000.—Reuter.

U.S. Electricity Output

New York, Mar. 15.

Production of electricity by the electric light and power industry of the United States for the week ended March 11 totalled 2,238,000,000 kilowatt hours, according to the weekly statement of the Edison Electric Institute published today.

This indicated a gain of 11.1 per cent. over the corresponding week last year, when the output totalled 2,015,000,00 kilowatt hours.

Electricity output during the previous week totalled 2,244,000,000 kilowatt hours, showing an increase of 10.2 per cent. over the corresponding week of last year.—Reuter.

London Silver Market

London, Mar. 15.

Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Company, in their weekly bullion letter, write:—

A steady tone was maintained by the London silver market during the past week. There was buying to cover bear sales, while Indian Bazaars made further forward purchases, but also resold. Sales for near delivery were made by America, although the harder tendency of the dollar recently limited these orders.—Reuter.

London, New York Markets Jolted

No Radical Changes Result from German Moves in Europe

London, Mar. 15.

The statement made in the House of Commons today by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, on the British Government's attitude to the Czech crisis was timed to begin after the close of the markets.

The Stock Exchange, however, developed general malaise towards the close of the day, with prices in all groups moving lower. On the other hand, the absence of selling pressure was interpreted as an encouraging feature.

City circles are at present engaged in reading the Prime Minister's speech, but are generally inclined to defer judgment. First impressions are that Mr. Chamberlain's interpretation of events did not contain any fireworks, being more or less in line with the City's own appraisal of developments.

Financial circles never for one moment feared that a final showdown was about to occur in connection with the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia.

Little hope is entertained that Great Britain will retrieve the part of the Czech credit already paid to the former Prague authorities.—Reuter.

Czech Currency Nominal

London, Mar. 16.

British banks yesterday placed all dealings in Czechoslovak currency on a nominal basis pending clarification of the central European situation. The move constituted virtual suspension in official dealings in Czech currency. —United Press.

New York Market Jolted

New York, Mar. 15.

Chancellor Adolf Hitler's march into Czechoslovakia today brought the widest break in New York Stock Exchange prices since January 26.

Wall Street was mainly worried over the European situation and uncertainties over the Administration's new tax bill now pending in Washington.

In the second hour of trading a burst of offers broke prices, particularly on high grade issues. Late in the session prices were one to three points below the previous closing quotations, but most issues recovered from the day's lows before closing.

Coppers and utilities showed losses ranging above a point. Aviations recorded some small gains in anticipation of war orders. Steels and Chrysler were off sharply.

Wall Street hears that investment quarters are buying General Motors common. Sears Roebuck will report earnings of almost $4 per share for the current fiscal year, it was understood. McIntyre Porcupine fiscal earnings will be above last year's. Libbey Owens Ford earnings for 1939 are expected to be at least double 1938.—United Press.

Japan's Cotton Import

Tokyo, Mar. 16.

Japan's cotton product exports were valued at Y.50,000,000 last year while her imports of raw cotton were estimated at Y.440,000,000, according to statistics, compiled by the Japan Spinners Association, published today.

The aggregate amount of Japan's international merchandise business last year totalled Y.5,353,000,000, of which Y.1,002,000,000, or 18.7 per cent., was shared by the cotton industry.—Domei.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, Mar. 15.

Under the impression of the historic events in Czechoslovakia, the share market showed a firm tendency today. The demand being bigger than the offers, most shares gained 3 per cent. on the average.

Call money stood unchanged at 2.87 to 3.12 per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

NANKING ROAD SHOW

Wednesday, March 22!

RED-BLOOD AND GUN-POWDER HEROES!

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Tragedy in Russian Girl's Room

Suicide Verdict on Royal Marine Found Shot in Girl-Friend's Home

Events leading to the discovery of a member of the Royal Marine detachment in the British cruiser, H.M.S. Dorsetshire, lying gravely wounded, with a discharged revolver near him, in the room occupied by a Russian dancing partner, Miss Vera Cheskova, on Avenue Joffre on March 10, were related to Mr. I. T. Morris, H.M. Coroner yesterday, when a verdict of suicide whilst temporarily of unsound mind was returned at the resumed inquest held on the body of William Ernest Clementson, aged 20.

The first witness, Dr. I. G. Anderson, stated that he examined the body of deceased on March 11. His report was handed to the Coroner.

Marine David John Lloyd, a keyboard sentry aboard H.M.S. Dorsetshire, told the Coroner that he commenced his tour of duty at 4 p.m. on March 9, and he noticed that the revolver cupboard contained three empty spaces where normally there should have been two. After checking the issue book, he counted the revolvers in the cupboard and found that there were 77 when there should have been 78. The deceased, with two other men, was also a keyboard sentry.

Ronald Alan Jessop, an Able-Seaman aboard H.M.S. Dorsetshire, stated that at about 7.30 p.m. on March 9 he proceeded ashore and went to the room occupied by Miss Vera Cheskova at Passage 613, House 27 Avenue Joffre, and in room No. 4, which was occupied by the girl, he found that she was already entertaining deceased.

Cabaret Visits

At 8 p.m., witness continued, all three left the room and proceeded to the Crystal cabaret on Rue Chu Pao San, where the girl was employed. Leaving the girl there, witness and deceased proceeded to Mumm's Cabaret on the same street and the former left there to go to the Grand Theatre at about 9.45.

After visiting several cabarets after leaving the cinema at about 11 p.m., witness went to the Crystal Cabaret at 1 p.m., where he sat on his own for a time until he was joined by another Royal Marine and Miss Vera Cheskova. At 2 a.m., Jessop continued, the French police arrived at the cabaret and asked Miss Cheskova to accompany them. As she appeared frightened, witness volunteered to accompany her. Upon entering the police car he was told that Clementson had died in hospital after shooting himself.

Charles W. Caperhorn, a bandsman in the Royal Marines, stated that when he visited the Crystal Cabaret with another bandsman at about 11.15 p.m. on March 9, he noticed Miss Cheskova sitting at a distant table. Later the last witness arrived and, with Miss Cheskova, they joined him at one table. Shortly afterwards the French police arrived and took the girl away. Witness was informed by another girl in the cabaret that deceased had shot himself. It appeared to be common knowledge, he added.

Girl's Evidence

Miss Vera G. Cheskova told the Coroner that she was a dancing partner employed at the Crystal Cabaret. She added that usually she left her home at about 8 p.m., returning at about 5 a.m. on the following morning. She was in the habit of locking her room when she left but usually she left no window open. The windows, she stated, overlooked the alleyway.

On the night of March 9, the girl continued, she left her home at about 8.30 p.m. with deceased and a sailor, whom she knew as "Ronnie." After arriving at the Crystal Cabaret at about 8.45, the sailor left, stating that he would be back after midnight, while deceased also mentioned that he would return at about the same time. The sailor, she added, returned at 1 a.m. and was sitting with her when the police arrived.

Miss Cheskova stated that she first met deceased on the day of the arrival of H.M.S. Dorsetshire in Shanghai. Two days later she again met him and he asked for permission to visit her at her home. Later Clementson requested her to meet him outside the Cathay Theatre and witness did so. They did not go to the cinema, she added, but to her home where, with a girl friend, they had tea.

"I've Killed Myself"

On the afternoon of March 9, witness continued, deceased called at her home at 2 p.m. and she informed him that she was tired, with the result that he went away, saying he would come later in the day. At 8 p.m. he returned and "Ronnie" called about ten minutes later, she continued. Later all three went to the Crystal Cabaret.

Asked if deceased had ever suggested taking his life, Miss Cheskova stated that she had never heard him mention this and that there had been no quarrel or misunderstanding between them. She had not heard him speak about the breaking-off of an engagement to a girl in England but he had stated that his fiancée was in England.

Jacob Burstein, a Russian Jew, living at the same house as the last witness, told the Coroner that, on March 10, he returned home shortly after midnight and, on his way upstairs, met the house tenant, his wife and a girl, who occupied Room No. 3. All three were standing on the landing near Room No. 4. Asked what was the matter, they explained that there was someone in Room 4, which had been padlocked. Witness then went to the door and heard a groan, followed by a cry of "Help me. Give me water, water. I've killed myself."

Bullet Produced

The door was forced open, witness continued, and on switching on the light in the room, he noticed a man in military uniform lying on the left side of the door, breathing slightly, with blood on his face. Asked what was the matter the man replied, "Help me. Give me water." He then made an effort to get up and witness noticed that he was half-wrapped in a bed cover. Water was given to the man and the police were summoned.

Detective-Sergeant E. Gagliardini, of the French Municipal Police C.I.D., stated that he was called to the room where deceased had been discovered. On entering the room he saw an English soldier lying on the floor, to the left of the door, his head being supported on a bed cover, which had been rolled up. There was blood on the floor, on the overlay, the body, and jacket, which was unbuttoned. Underneath his jacket witness noticed that the man's vest was stained also. He was then removed in an ambulance to St. Marie's Hospital, where he died at 2 a.m.

Detective Sub-Inspector Wilkinson of the Shanghai Municipal Police, told the Coroner that a service revolver of .45 calbre had been discovered in the room. Witness then handed the revolver to the Coroner for inspection and also produced a bullet which had been extracted from Clementson's body, just below the left breast. The revolver, he added, was found under the bed in the room.

Last Note

Witness added that since 9 p.m. on the night of March 9 the movements of deceased were unknown. No shots had been heard in the house where he was discovered and it appeared that he made his entrance by climbing through the window. There was nothing to indicate that the wounds had not been self-inflicted.

A piece of paper found on Clementson's body and which was signed "Clemmy," was read as follows: "Everything I own is to be sold and the money left to Miss Vera Cheskova of the Crystal Cabaret. I can't live without her."

The verdict was as follows; I find that William Ernest Clementson died at Shanghai on March 10 the cause of death being internal haemorrhage due to a gunshot wound in the stomach and liver, self-inflicted whilst temporarily of unsound mind."

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Date and Destination	Per		Reg.	Ord.
FRIDAY, Mar. 17.				
Japan Korea Formosa via Nagasaki	Shanghai M.		*20.00	7.15
Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin	Chengtu		7.30	8.00
Tsingtao Weihaiwei Chefoo	Kanchow		13.30	14.00
H'kow Wuchang Hanyang	Wanshan M.		14.30	15.00
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India Suez (Y) and Europe (Y)	Memnon	AX	14.30	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	Memnon		15.30	16.00
Kiangpei Offices east of Jukao	Tejo		16.30	17.00
Wenchow	Don Luis		19.30	20.00
Ningpo	Santarem		19.30	20.00
SATURDAY, March 18.				
Tsingtao and Dairen	Tsingtao M.		8.00	8.20
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Shengking		8.30	10.00
Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin	Shengking		9.30	10.00
Chefoo and Tientsin	Mingsang		11.30	12.00
Ningpo	Enderta		11.30	12.00
Nantung	Nantung M.		14.30	15.00
Kiangpei Offices east of Jukao	Liwo		16.30	17.00
Foochow	G. Padula	X	18.30	19.00
Indo-China (Z) via H'phong	Kiungchow	B	—	—
Swatow H'kong Haiphong	Kiungchow		20.00	20.00
Kwangtung	Kiungchow		20.00	20.00
Amoy	Shantung		20.00	20.00
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	Nagasaki M.		20.00	20.00
SUNDAY, March 19.				
Foochow	Solviken		*20.00	9.15
Ningpo	Hsin Peking		10.00	10.00
Japan H'lulu Canada U.S.A. Europe via Pacific	E. of Japan	C	10.00	16.00
Kiangpei Offices east of Jukao	Tejo		16.00	16.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for S.S., Gt. Britain and other countries, closes at 12.00 on 17th.
B Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 18th.
C Parcel mail for Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada and Europe, closes at 16.00 on 18th.
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Imperial Airways Service (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per ss. Memnon, at 4 p.m. on March 17, and due Bracciaco, Italy, on March 29, and London on March 30.
Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per ss. Memnon, at 4 p.m. on March 17, and due San Francisco on March 29.
Air France (Hongkong-Marseilles) per ss. Empress of Asia, at 4 p.m. on March 20, and due Marseilles on March 31, and London on April 1.
Neth (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Bandoeng-Amsterdam) per ss. Memnon, at 4 p.m. on March 17, and due Amsterdam on April 2, and London on April 3.
Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per available steamer to Hongkong for transmission to Saigon.
Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service:—Air mails close daily at 8 p.m.

Train Mail

Light mails for or via Pengpu, Wuhu, N.S.R. and Lunghai (east of Chenghsien; Tungshan and Kaifeng) close daily, at 9.30 p.m. Express mails for Nanking and Chinkiang local close daily at 8.45 a.m.
Light mails for Kiangpei Offices west and north of Jukao via Chinkiang close daily at 9.30 p.m.
Light mails for or via Hangchow close daily at 9 a.m. and 9.30 p.m.; for S.H.N.R. daily at 9 a.m.
Light mails for or via T.P.R. and north Pinghan close daily at 9.30 p.m.
Light mails for Hankow, Wuchang and Hangyang by occasional sailings direct to Hankow.
Light mails for or via River Ports beyond Nanchang per available steamer via Ninghsien.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin or Chinwangtao for transmission.
Next steamer mails will be closed as follow :—
ss. Memnon, via Suez, March 17, due London April 21.
ss. Empress of Japan, via Pacific, March 19, due London April 17.
ss. Victoria, via Suez, March 23, due London April 18.

Passenger Lists

ARRIVALS

Per Shuntien, March 16, from Tientsin: Mrs. Myers, Miss McCloski, Mrs. Zavalishin, Miss N. E. S. McCrea, Miss Myers, Mrs. Bardella and child, Mr. & Mrs. J. Koralewski, Mr. K. Schlinke, Mr. Freiman, Mr. T. H. White, Mr. Ankerson, Mr. R. Fine, from **Chefoo:** Mr. D. Jacob, from **Weihaiwei:** Mr. Harrington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Green, Mr. Lethaby, Mr. Gray, Mr. Jeffery, Mr. Livinstone, Mr. Cruickshank, Mr. McQuay.

Per Pres. Pierce, March 16, from Pacific Ports: Mr. & Mrs. O. Anderson, Mr. H. Arnold, Mrs. H. G. Bemis, Mr. R. Boehlke, Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Branson, Mrs. E. Braun, Mrs. M. J. Brauer, Mrs. M. E. Cameron, Mr. W. H. Clarke, Jr. Mr. & Mrs. J. Conrad, Miss H. Deutsch, Mr. R. Friedlander, Mrs. E. Gillingham, Mr. A. B. Goldman, Mr. & Mrs. W. G. Hillen, Mrs. H. J. & Miss K. E. Huck, Mr. F. Huber, Miss P. Heidler, Miss M. Jenkins, Mr. H. W. Johns, Mr. G. Lamb, Mr. J. W. Lewarn, Mr. H. Lloyd, Mrs. J. K. Lockhart, Miss V. G. Lumsdaine, Mr. & Mrs. A. H. Laidlaw, Master S. Laidlaw, Lt. R. Mason, U.S.N., Mr. J. P. Mola, Mr. A. D. Murphy, Miss E. M. Wright, Mr. & Mrs. W. K. Matthews, Mr. D. McKenzie, Miss M. Ogle, Mr. W. Orthmann, Mr. D. E. Rebok, Mr. K. Rosenberg, Mrs. G. & Miss M. Reed, Mr. F. V. Reilly, Miss L. Schoettler, Mrs. C. Semmelink, Mr. H. Schmuser, Mrs. H. Schmuer, Miss M. Tandy, Mr. R. Waters, Rev. A. R. Walser.

DEPARTURES

Per Pres. Pierce, Mar. 16, for Hongkong: Mr. H. de Chambure, Mrs. A. Avramov, Mr. E. F. Lew, Mr. I. S. Saburoff, Mr. E. L. Longway, Mr. J. Laurent, Mr. F. Elliott, for **Manila:** Mrs. F. H. Myers, Mr. P. R. Josselyn.

Per Yusang, Mar. 17, for Hongkong and Ports: Mrs. W. Lovett, Mr. P. Watkinson.

Vessels Discharging

HAKOZAKI MARU. The N.Y.K. s.s. Hakozaki Maru, from London via Ports arrived on March 14, and is discharging her cargo at the Wayside Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. Damaged cargo will be examined at the wharf on Tuesday, March 21, at 9 a.m., by Marine Surveyors, Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. Claims must be presented within 14 days of the vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Should cargo not be imported within 15 days of arrival of the vessel compulsory Custom's Examination will be held before the goods can be placed in Bond. This Company accepts no responsibility whatsoever for any damage sustained as a result of the Examination. Nippon Yusen Kaisya, Shanghai Branch. 17-3

TALLEYRAND. The m.s. Talleyrand, from Oslo via Ports is now discharging her cargo at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.'s Old Ningpo Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the wharf and godowns is to be borne by Consignees. Any claims against this vessel must be sent in within fifteen (15) days after vessel's arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized. Examination of broken and ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.'s Old Ningpo Wharf at 9 a.m. March 23, 1939, when Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy will be in attendance. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Agents, 17 Canton Road. Tel. 11369. 18-3

TANTALUS. From Liverpool arrived on Mar 14, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires on March 24, 1939. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Saturday, March 18, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 18-3

ALLER. The Norddeutscher Lloyd steamer Aller, from Bremen, Hamburg, Antwerp and Bougie via Ports is now discharging her cargo at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the wharf and godowns to be borne by consignees. Any claims against this vessel must be sent in within (15) fifteen days after the vessel's arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo to be examined at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side, by Messrs. Tesdorpf, Hannig & Co., on next Monday morning, March 20, 1939, at 9 a.m. Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen, General Agents: Melchers & Co., No. 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. No. 15566. 19-3

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From YOKOHAMA: Memnon, due Buoys 11-12.
Cyclops, due 12.30 p.m., Holt's Wharf.
From DAIREN: Tsingtao Maru, with mail, due 3 p.m. Whangpoo Wharf.
From KEELUNG: Tyosa Maru, due noon. O.S.K. Wharf.
From HONGKONG: Shantung, due a.m., French Bund.
Kiungchow, due p.m., B. & S. Pootung Wharf.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GDYNIA

Protesilaus	7/2	31/3
Bellerophon	7/3	28/4

From COPENHAGEN

Java	30/12	20/3
Kina	1/2	7/4

From OSLO

Titania	17/2	13/4

From HAMBURG

Potsdam	18/2	27/3
Regensburg	11/3	16/4
Bellerophon	11/3	28/4

From BREMEN

Neumark	24/1	20/3
Ramses	7/2	31/3
Kulmerland	21/2	12/4
Nordmark	7/3	22/4

From ROTTERDAM

Shantung	15/2	27/3
Nordmark	16/3	22/4
Tamara	9/3	25/4

From ANTWERP

Marburg	8/2	21/3
Glenbeg	21/1	24/3
Glenaffaric	4/2	1/4
Franken	24/2	15/4
Abbekerk	20/2	15/4
Glenapp	18/2	16/4
Regensburg	12/3	16/4
Denbighshire	4/3	29/4

From GLASGOW

Ajax	28/1	21/3
Hector	11/2	31/3
Menestheus	25/2	13/4
Aeneas	11/3	1/5

From LIVERPOOL

Philoctetes	11/2	27/3
Menestheus	4/3	13/4
Teiresias	25/2	14/4
Diomed	11/3	21/4

From LONDON

Somali	4/2	20/3
Corfu	10/2	20/3
Suwa M.	17/2	28/4
Chitral	24/2	2/4
Terukuni M.	3/3	7/4
Carthage	10/3	16/4
Bangalore	4/3	17/4
Hakusan M.	17/3	24/4

From MARSEILLES

Chenonceaux	17/2	22/3
Mar. Joffre	3/3	31/3
J. Laborde	17/3	14/4
Carthage	17/3	16/4

From GENOA

Victoria	23/2	20/3

From TRIESTE

Cortellazzo	20/1	18/3
C. Verdi	8/3	2/4
Arabia	20/2	20/4

From PORT SAID

Kina	28/2	7/4
Titania	15/3	13/4
Abbekerk	14/3	15/4
Franken	12/3	15/4
Bangalore	15/3	17/4

From SUEZ

Terukuni M.	15/3	7/4
Kulmerland	16/3	12/4
Glenapp	16/3	16/4

From ADEN

Chitral	12/3	2/4
C. Verde	15/3	2/4

From COLOMBO

Potsdam	13/3	27/3
Suwa M.	14/3	28/3
Ramses	14/3	31/3
Mar. Joffre	17/3	31/3

From PENANG

Hector	16/3	31/3
Protesilaus	17/3	31/3
Glenaffaric	17/3	1/4

From SINGAPORE

Boissevain	17/3	24/3

From SOERABAIA

Tjisaroea	13/3	1/4
Tjisadane	17/3	1/4

From BATAVIA

Tjisaroea	16/3	1/4

From MANILA

Tai Ping Yang	14/3	18/3
Victoria	16/3	20/3
Marburg	15/3	21/3

From SAIGON

Cortellazzo	11/3	18/3

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below.

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK

Tai Ping Yang	30/1	18/3
Acadia	28/2	19/3
Eurybates	27/1	23/3
Anna Maersk	10/2	28/3
Cingal. Prince	11/2	29/3
Irisbank	7/2	2/4
C. Athens	18/2	19/4
Ivaran	25/2	19/4
Agapenor	27/2	21/4
Foylebank	6/3	23/4
Malay Prince	9/3	24/4
Niel Maersk	10/3	27/4
C. Pittsburg	16/3	13/5

From SAVANNAH

Agapenor	5/3	21/4
Malay Prince	12/3	24/4
Niel Maersk	15/3	27/4

From PANAMA

Ivaran	8/3	19/4

From SEATTLE

Ixion	17/2	23/3

From VANCOUVER

E. of Asia	4/3	20/3

From LOS ANGELES

Eurybates	17/2	25/3
Kamakura M.	27/2	26/3
Anna Maersk	3/3	28/3

From LOS ANGELES

P. Coolidge	6/3	28/3
Silverteak	4/3	7/4
Asama M.	14/3	12/4

From SAN FRANCISCO

Cingal. Prince	2/3	29/3
Irisbank	3/3	2/4
Asama M.	17/3	12/4

From HONOLULU

Kamakura M.	7/3	26/3
P. Coolidge	14/3	28/3

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below.

From OTARU

Burdwan	7/3	19/3

From YOKOHAMA

Hakone M.	12/3	20/3
Ixion	14/3	23/3

From KOBE

Acadia	16/3	19/3
Burdwan	16/3	19/3
E. of Asia	17/3	20/3
Hakone M.	16/3	20/3
Burgenland	20/3	23/3

From NAGASAKI

Nagasaki M.	17/3	18/3

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN

Boissevain	15/2	24/3
Tegelberg	15/3	22/4

From MELBOURNE

Nellore	4/3	10/4

From SYDNEY

Nellore	15/3	10/4

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN

Dairen M.	18/3	21/3
Antenor	11/3	30/3

From TIENTSIN

Chaksang	16/3	20/3
Taisang	17/3	20/3
Soochow	17/3	22/3
Yochow	19/3	22/3
Esang	19/3	23/3
Kwaisang	19/3	23/3

From HONGKONG

Tingsang	15/3	19/3
E. of Japan	17/3	19/3
Java	15/3	20/3
Taiyuan	14/3	20/3
Aorfu	16/3	20/3

From HONGKONG

Neumark	15/3	20/3
Kwangtung	16/3	20/3
Somali	16/3	20/3
Yunnan	15/3	21/3
Tai Ping	19/3	21/3
Sinkiang	17/3	21/3
Ajax	17/3	21/3
Chenonceaux	15/3	22/3
Taksang	19/3	23/3
Kingyuan	19/3	23/3
Glenbeg	16/3	24/3
Szechuen	21/3	25/3
Tsinan	22/3	26/3

From KEELUNG (Formosa)

Hakuken M.	23/3	25/3

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

CHENGTU Mar. 17. WEIHAIWEI, CHEOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Friday, March 17, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 17-3

KANCHOW Mar. 18. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN. — From French Bund on Saturday, March 18, at 8.30 a.m. For freight apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 18-3

MINGSANG Mar. 18 CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, March 18, at 2 p.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 18-3

SHENGKING Mar. 18· WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Saturday, March 18, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund) 18-3

LIANGCHOW Mar. 21. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Tuesday, March 21, at 11 a.m. For freight apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 21-3

TINGSANG Mar. 21. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Tuesday, March 21. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 21-3

YUNNAN Mar· 23. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN. — From French Bund on Thursday, March 23, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 23-3

TAKSANG Mar. 25. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, March 25, at 5.30 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 24-3

SOUTH CHINA COAST

HSIN PEKING Mar. 19. NINGPO.—From French Bund on Sunday, March 19, at 4.30 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 19-3

KIUNGCHOW Mar. 19. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Sunday, March 19, at 9.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 19-3

SHANTUNG Mar· 19. AMOY, CHUANCHOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Sunday, March 19, at 9.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 19-3

Vessels Leaving

SOUTH CHINA COAST

CHAKSANG Mar. 21. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Tuesday, March 21. "A" & "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 21-3

TAIYUAN Mar. 21. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Tuesday, March 21, at 11 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 21-3

KWANGTUNG Mar. 22. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Wednesday, March 22, at 11.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 22-3

TAISANG Mar. 23· SWATOW, HONGKONG and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, March 23, at noon. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd Tel. 15290. 23-3

TALABOT Mar. 18. CASABLANCA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and OSLO via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE and PORT SAID—Motor vessel Talabot of the Wilhelmsen Lines will be despatched from Shanghai on or about March 18, for the above-mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading issued for all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. For freight or passage please apply to Dodwell and Company, Ltd., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 11366. 18-3

BURDWAN Mar. 21. MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, LONDON, HULL, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM and ANTWERP via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—For Freight Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 21-3

VICTORIA Mar. 23. NAPLES and GENOA via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, BOMBAY and PORT SAID.—Lloyd Triestino, 26 The Bund. Tel. 16885. 23-3

BURGENLAND Mar. 24. GENOA, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG via PORTS.—(Captain W. Schladebach), on or about March 24, 1939. For freight and passage, please apply to Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Shanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 24-3

FORMOSA Mar. 25. ALGIERS, ORAN, CASABLANCA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, COPENHAGEN, OSLO and GOTHENBURG via HONGKONG.—The Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.'s m.s. Formosa will leave Shanghai on or about March 25, for the above mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading to all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. Cargo for U.K. ports accepted on Optional Bs/L. For freight and passage please apply to The Ekman Foreign Agencies Ltd., Hamilton House, Foochow Road Entrance. Tel. 11330. 25-3

YANGTSE Mar· 26. ORAN, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, ANTWERP, DUNKIRK via ADEN and PORT SAID.—For particulars apply to Messageries Maritimes, 9 Quai de France. Tel. 82034. 26-3

CANTON Mar. 28. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, COCHIN, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender leaves Customs Jetty 10.30 a.m. Tuesday, March 28. Hand packages only accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, March 27. Customs Permit required for any nailed cases. For Freight and Passage Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 28-3

POTSDAM Mar. 29. GENOA, SOUTHAMPTON, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN, HAMBURG via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, PENANG, BELAWAN, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., general agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 29-3

CHENONCEAUX Mar. 31. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 French Bund. Tel. 82034. 31-3

MALAYA Apr. 1. (loading on Mar. 31.) FOR PORT SAID, JAFFA, HAIFA, BEYROUTH, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, COPENHAGEN and DANZIG-NEUFAHRWASSER via HONGKONG, SAIGON and SINGAPORE.—The East Asiatic Co.'s Motorship Malaya, Captain Chr. Nielsen, will be despatched from here on or about April 1, for the abovementioned ports. Cargo accepted on through Bills of Lading to all Continental, Baltic and Scandinavian ports. Optional Bills of Lading issued to U.K. Ports. For freight and passage apply to Agency of The East Asiatic Co., Ltd., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 15055. 1-4

AMERICA

KIYOKAWA MARU Mar. 19. NEW YORK, BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA and BALTIMORE via SAN FRANCISCO and LOS ANGELES.—For Freight please apply to Showa Shipping Co., Ltd., 130 Hankow Road. Tel. No. 18650 and 16118. 19-3

MARCHEN MAERSK Apr. 1. LOS ANGELES and via PANAMA to NEW YORK, BOSTON PHILADELPHIA, BALTIMORE, SAVANNAH and NORFOLK.—For Freight and Passage apply to Melchers & Co., Agents, Maersk Line, 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 1-4

AUSTRALASIA

NANKIN Apr. 1. SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via (From Hongkong) PORTS.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 1-4

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NAGARA MARU	Apr. 11
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C	AJAX	Apr. 15 M'lles, London, R'dam, H'burg and Glasgow
C	TANTALUS	Apr. 18 Havre, Liverpool and Bromborough

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		From	Due	Sails	For
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C	AJAX	Liverpool	Mar. 21	Mar. 22	Japan
C	EURYBATES	New York	Mar. 25	Mar. 26	Japan Ports
C	IXION	Pacific Coast	Mar. 23	Mar. 26	Hongkong
C	PHILOCTETES	Liverpool	Mar. 27	Mar. 28	Japan Ports
A	HECTOR	Liverpool	Mar. 31	Apr. 1	Taku and Dairen
C	PROTESILAUS	Gdynia	Mar. 31	Apr. 1	Taku, Dairen and Japan
C	TEIRESIAS	Liverpool	Apr. 14	Apr. 15	Japan
B	MENESTHEUS	Liverpool	Apr. 13	Apr. 14	Japan

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ss DAIREN MARU	Mar. 28	Mar. 29 at 11 a.m.
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ss. DAIREN MARU	Apr. 4	Apr. 5 at 11 a.m.

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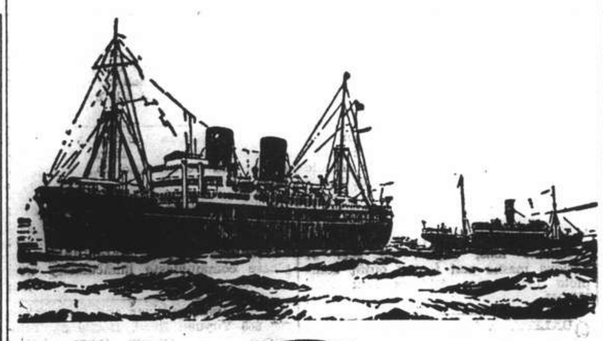

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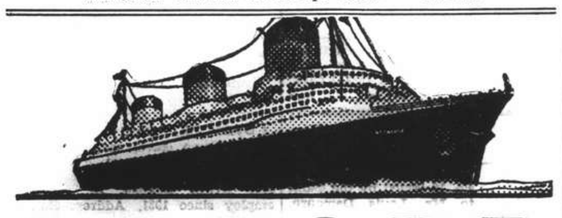

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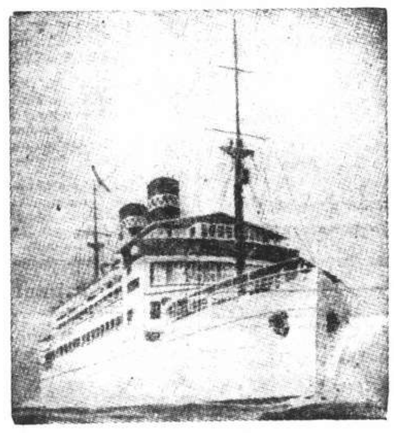

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France Must Strengthen Her Ties with Great Britain

Czech Agreement With Reich Precludes Need For Preventive Action by Guarantors

Paris, Mar. 15.

FRANCE must strengthen her alliances and must maintain her solidarity with Great Britain, the Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, emphasized today when he concluded his report on the Czechoslovakia crisis before the Chamber of Deputies' Foreign Affairs Committee. He revealed that M. Charles Corbin, French Ambassdor in London, had conferred this morning with Lord Halifax, British Foreign Secretary, and both parties had agreed it was unnecessary to enforce the proposed guarantees of Czechoslovakia's borders as the Czech President, Dr. Emil Hacha, had reached an agreement with Germany and had refrained from appealing to the guarantor powers.

M. Bonnet also reported upon the interview held this morning between M. Robert Coulondre, French Ambassador in Berlin, and Herr Ernst von Weiszaecker, Wilhelmstrasse Secretary of State. He recalled that British and French guarantees to Czechoslovakia, provided for in the Munich Agreement, had depended upon a German guarantee, which had not been extended.

Several Deputies of various parties at this juncture interjected criticisms of the Government's policy and urged greater firmness. Among these Deputies were the Communist, M. Gabriel Peri, the Rightist, M. Henri de Kerillis, and the Christian Democrat, M. Ernest Pezet.

M. Pierre-Etienne Flandin, Rightist politician and one-time Premier, on the other hand approved the Government's policy, "which has saved Europe from war." He also advocated the greatest firmness in dealing with Italian claims upon France. In connection with the Italian claims, M. Bonnet indicated that no negotiations had as yet taken place and he reported upon precautionary measures already taken against any possible Italian attacks, especially in East Africa upon French Somaliland.

This evening, M. Bonnet received Count Johannes von Welczeck, German Ambassador, who assured him that the German occupation of Czechoslovakia had been carried out in agreement with the Prague Government.

Unfavourable Impression

Political circles here are very unfavourably impressed by the events in Central Europe. They point out that the spirit of conciliation of the Franco-German declaration made on December 6, 1938, was violated.

Well-informed quarters note that the famous Skoda munition works now pass into Germany's hands, thus increasing her war potential. They added that the Vienna arbitration agreement signed on November 2, 1938, by Herr von Ribbentrop and Count Galeazzo Ciano, respectively German and Italian Foreign Ministers, was deliberately torn up.

They stress that in concluding his declaration to the members of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Deputies yesterday, the French Foreign Minister advocated an increase in France's production to meet with Germany's new strength.

Political circles expressed scepticism at the statement made by the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, that he will pursue his policy of appeasement as the cancellation of the trip to be made to Berlin by Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, is most significant of the present halt in the work of international collaboration.—Havas.

Request for Information

Paris, Mar. 15.

Request for information regarding the exact meaning of Herr Hitler's proclamation concerning the Czech State was made by M. Robert Coulondre, the French Ambassador in Berlin, this morning.

M. Georges Bonnet, the Foreign Minister, had telephone talks this morning with the Polish Ambassador and French Ambassador in London.

The speed and gravity of the changes in Czechoslovakia has made a deep impression here, but what most impressed the French was the passage in Herr Hitler's proclamation in which he declared that Czechoslovakia was vital to Germany and had belonged to Germany for over 1,000 years.

This proclamation is regarded as the abandonment of the principles of racism as enunciated in "Mein Kampf" and also of Herr Hitler's statements after the Munich conference, when he declared that National Socialism did not envisage the incorporation in the Reich of non-Germans.—Reuter.

Communications to Yunnan Improved

New French Trucking Co. To Place Lorries on Main Route to South-west

Chungking, Mar. 15.

A subsidiary company of the famous French automobile firm of Renault is preparing to establish a trucking service between Hanoi and Chungking via Hanoi, French sources revealed today.

The company plans to use new caterpillar tread trucks with Diesel engines. The trucks are capable of carrying loads of six and seven tons and are reported to be able to convey these heavy loads over mountain roads at the speed of twenty miles an hour.

Thirty trucks have already been assembled at Hanoi and more such trucks are expected to be put together in the near future, the French sources said. The Chinese Government is buying some of the trucks, although the French company is to operate the remainder of the fleet, they asserted.

Chinese Government experts in other Chinese areas were said to have experimented with Diesel engined trucks, using vegetable oils with success. The success of their experiments probably will lead to an extensive use of trucks with Diesel engines wherever possible, since the use of vegetable oil would relieve the acute shortage of gasoline in west China. Lack of gasoline in this area is one of the chief transportation problems at present.

Gasoline in Chungking at present is selling at $5 per gallon, four times the price current in Shanghai.

Another factor in favour of the Diesel engined trucks is the distance they travel on a gallon of Diesel oil.—United Press.

Chinese Currency Stabilization

Commons Informed Of Administration Method of New Fund

London, Mar. 15.

The China (Currency Stabilization) Bill, providing for the establishment of a £10,000,000 fund to check undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar, was introduced in the House of Commons today by Sir John Simon, the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Of the total, the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation will subscribe £3,000,000, the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China, £2,000,000 and the Bank of China and Bank of Communications, jointly, the remaining £5,000,000.

Management of the fund will be invested in a committee of five, two members of which will be appointed jointly by the Chinese banks and one each by the Hongkong and Chartered Banks. The fifth will be a British expert appointed by the Chinese Government in agreement with the British Treasury and with the approval of the British banks.

The duty of the committee will be to determine the day-to-day policy best suited to achieve the purpose of checking undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar.

The Hongkong and Chartered Banks will receive interest every six months in sterling at the rate of 2¾ per cent. The Chinese banks will undertake to pay the interest in so far as it is not met from the earnings of any investments held for the sterling account of the fund in London, and the Treasury will guarantee the interest payments.

The Treasury will also guarantee the British banks against any loss up to £5,000,000 when the fund is wound up.

If, on winding up the fund, the British banks receive in sterling, apart from the interest, more than their original subscription, they will pay the excess to the Treasury.

The arrangements will remain in force for a year and can be renewed for further periods of six months each.—Reuter.

Yugoslav Anti-German Demonstration

"Down with Hitler" Cries Shouted by Big Crowds

Belgrade, Mar. 16.

Violent anti-German demonstrations were staged in Central Square here last night when hundreds of rioters shouted "Down With Hitler!" and "Down With Germany!"

The Yugoslav national anthem was sung repeatedly as police attempted to keep the crowds under control. The demonstrations began a few hours after news was received of the German invasion of Czecho-Slovakia.

Tension mounted later when reports were confirmed that the Yugoslav Army was taking military precautions along the northern frontier.—United Press.

Soviets Auction Fishing Lots

Japan Will Refuse to Recognize Outcome of Action, Diet Informed

Moscow, Mar. 15.

As arranged, the auction of fishery concessions in the northern waters off the Siberian coast took place today in Vladivostok, it was understood here tonight although official confirmation was unavailable.

No new interviews took place today between the Foreign Commissar, M. Maxim Litvinov, and M. Shigenori Togo, Japanese Ambassador, but they had a last meeting yesterday, when no new results were attained since the Japanese envoy maintained his country's refusal to take part in the Vladivostok auction.

Both Soviet politicians and Japanese quarters here remained calm today and the former emphasized the entirely different atmosphere prevailing today as compared to that of last year. Present border incidents are devoid of importance, they asserted, and it is most improbable that they should degenerate into as serious a conflict as that in Changkufeng last July and August.—Havas.

Japan's Stand Reiterated

Tokyo, Mar. 16.

Japan will refuse to recognize the result of the auction of fishery lots reported to have been carried out in Vladivostok yesterday with only Soviet bidders present, Mr. Hachiro Arita, the Foreign Minister, declared in reply to interpellations during the budgetary debate in the House of Representatives today.

There had been no fresh developments regarding the fishery negotiations between the Japanese Ambassador in Moscow and the Soviet Foreign Commissar between March 11 and 14, the Foreign Minister stated. The Soviet Union, he said, "persisted in its original contention without paying any attention to Japan's requests."

Mr. Shigenori Togo, Japanese Ambassador in Moscow, had proposed to M. Maxim Litvinov, Soviet Foreign Commissar, that the auction of March 15 be postponed, but M. Litvinov refused to accept the suggestion, stating that another auction would be held if all the fishery lots were not sold at the first auction, the Foreign Minister stated.

Mr. Togo then made it clear that Japan would not participate in the auction nor would she recognize the result of the auction if it were held without her participation. In that the Soviet Union would have to "assume responsibility for the consequences," the Japanese envoy told the Foreign Commissar, Mr. Arita further revealed.—Domei.

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Britain Depends on China's Trade

"Financial Times" Gives View on Prospects

London, Mar. 16.

A lengthy article on trade relations between Great Britain and China appeared in this morning's edition of the "Financial Times."

"The Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Quo Tai Chi, spoke on the Vital need to open trading relations when he addressed the Chamber of Commerce in Sheffield yesterday," the paper stated. "He thought that the future would show what the past had proved, that on the balance, China was Great Britain's greatest potential customer. That was bound to be so, not only because their needs and services were mutually complementary, and not only because they had tested each others characters, but also because they had tried out each other's attitude. The threat to the 'Open Door' principle was a threat to the very lifeline of British prosperity, not only in the interests of maintaining treaties intact, but in asserting the right of full trade."—Havas.

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